ZIONISM WEAPONIZED AND THE PALESTINIAN GENOCIDE

A HISTORY OF ZIONIST TERRORISM

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PALESTINE

ZIONIST JEWISH TERRORISM: 1868-1948

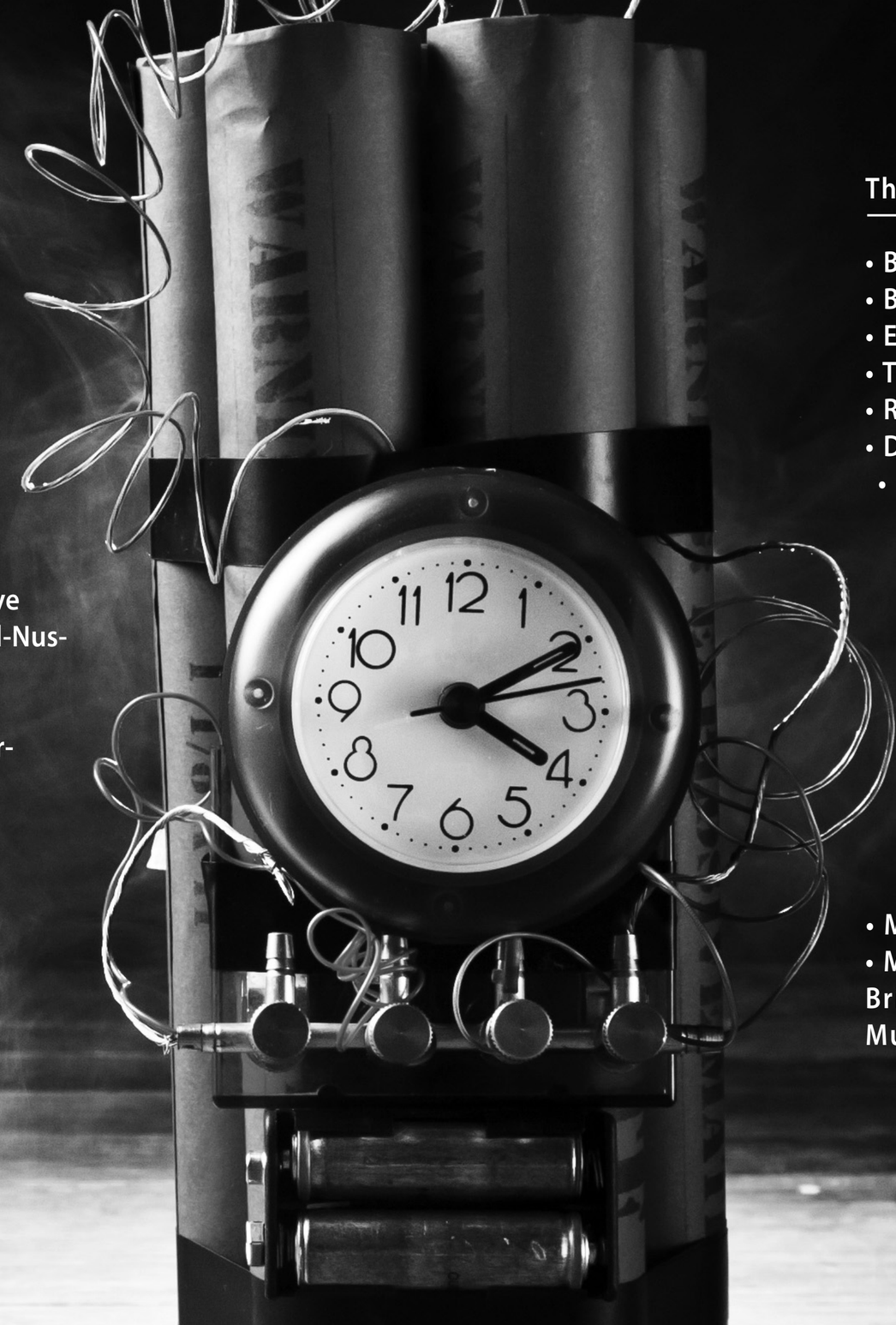
FROM THE ARCHIVES OF

The New York Times

The purpose of this eMagazine is to expose the Zionist lies, the fabrications that are a part of the public narrative—our fabricated history and a part of our history that desperately begs to be corrected.

Zionist terrorism far exceeded in horror and brutality anything we've seen yet from ISIS, al-Qaida or the al-Nusra terrorists in the Middle East.

The Zionists were referred to as terrorists for decades in the print media between 1900 and 1948. The terms "*Jewish Terrorism*" and "*Zionist Terrorism*" appeared in the papers almost daily. This eMagazine collects just a few of those newspaper articles between 1868 and 1948—there are thousands.



The Zionist Jewish Terrorists:

- Bombed Oil Pipelines
- Bombed Communications
- Extorted Jewish Businesses
- Threw Grenades In Homes
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- Disemboweled Pregnant Women
- Raped Palestinian Women
- Hung British Soldiers
- Robbed Banks
- Murdered Children
- Robbed Stores
- Murdered Jews
- Robbed Trains
- Bombed Trains
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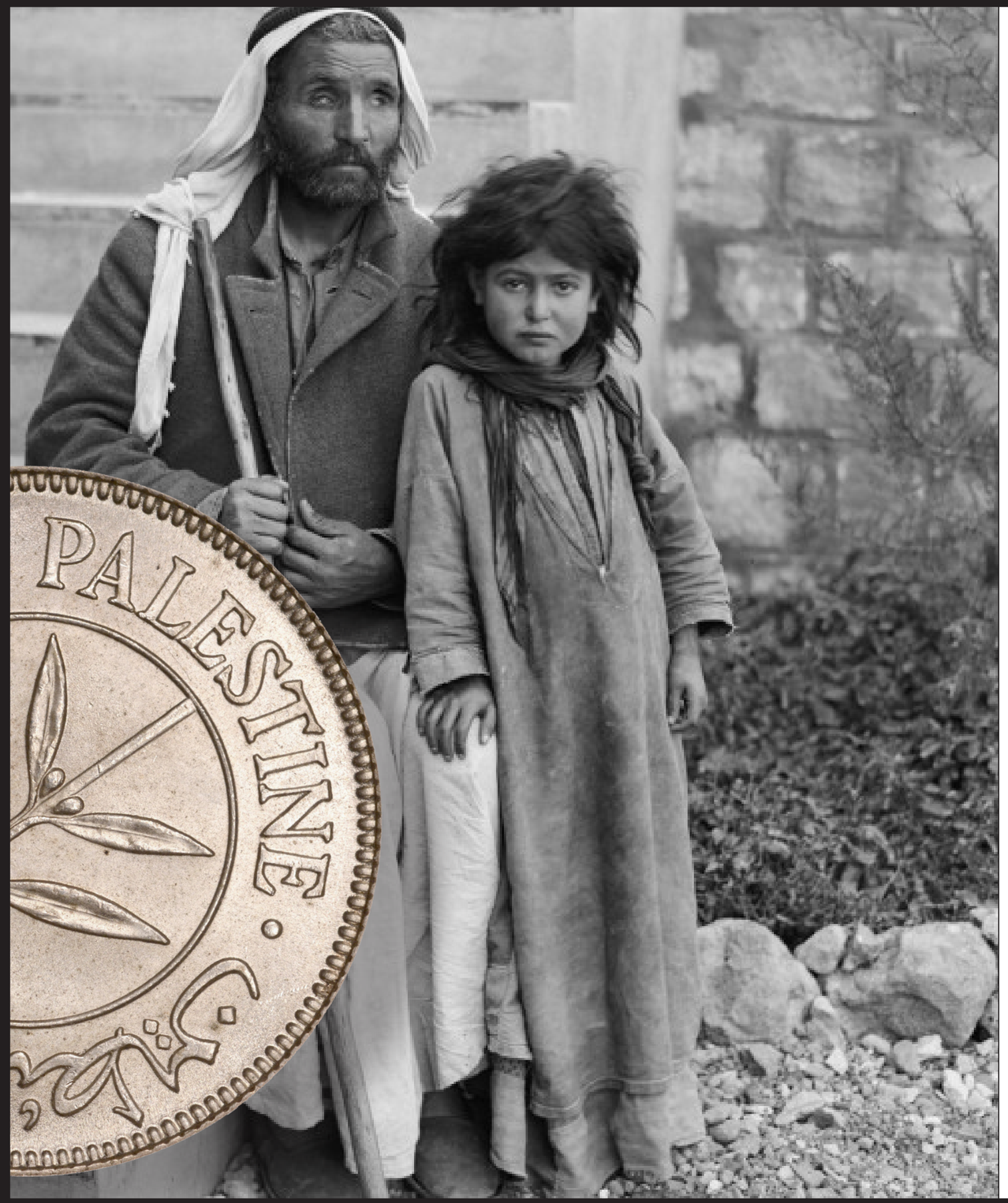

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PAGE 269: This is the end of the line for me and you both, the last page and my last eMagazine. Now you can become active in regard to supporting the Palestinians, or not. For me it will always remain my single most important issue. I sincerely hope that by making this eMagazine free, and in spite of its large size, that I've been able to bring a new perspective on what was truly a time of horror and terror perpetrated by Zionist Jews against a largely (94%) Arab population—yet Jews, Brits, Sudanese, Christians and others as well. Terrorism affects everyone. The Nakba never ended, it continues on today ... yet BDS and activism do work.

Before Zionism: The shared life of Jews and Palestinians

Before the advent of Zionism and Arab nationalism, Jews and Muslims lived in peace in the holy land.

Menachem Klein's new book maps out an oft-forgotten history of Israel-Palestinian society, if it was ever known at all.

Menachem Klein's book, "*Lives in Common: Arabs and Jews in Jerusalem, Jaffa and Hebron*", is a depressing one. Originally released in English, the book — which is being published in Hebrew — paints a picture of a shared life between Palestinian Muslims and European Jews at the end of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th centuries, bringing us face to face with daily life, commerce, education, celebrations, and sadness. It shows that these people lived together amicably, appreciably, with graciousness and integrity and it proves that this kind of existence, despite everything Israeli's are taught by the propagandist Zionist educational system, is possible. As the Ottoman Empire, which ruled Palestine at the time, began losing its power toward the end of the 19th century, a new, local identity began developing out of the lived experiences of Jews and Muslims. This identity, which took precedence over religion, was shared by Muslims, Jews, and Christians alike. They were sharing the same daily life's experiences.

Following the collapse of the Ottoman Empire during the First World War, both the Zionist movement and the Palestinian national movement began trying to take control of that identity and define the people of the land as either Zionist Jews or Palestinian Muslim. There were those who called for unity, such as Jerusalem Mayor Raghib al-Nashashibi, who wanted not to speak of Arabs and Jews, but of Palestinians. Klein debunks the myth according to which the residents of the country before the advent Zionism or the Arab national movement lacked all identity. Instead, he describes a lively and vivacious community with its own traditions and customs, bringing testimonies from Jews, Muslims and foreigners as proof. Both Zionism and Arab nationalism came to Palestine from outside the country. The two movements developed in the diaspora—for example Zionism developed in Russia—but both saw the territory between the river and the sea as part of their war for control; they drew borders in a place that had been borderless at the expense of those who lived there. Palestinian residents distinguished between "Arab Jews" — a common identity of Jews who were either born here or in other Arab countries — and Jewish immigrants from Europe who arrived to redefine the land. Klein quotes several journal entries penned by Palestinians at the beginning of the 20th century, according to which non-Ashkenazi Jews were seen as awlad al-balad or "*sons of the land*" and also yahud awlad al-arab or "*Jewish Arabs*" (see Naeim Giladi, The Jews Of Iraq).

The idealistic reality described by Klein seems almost like a dream today. He quotes the memoirs of Ya'akov Elazar from Jerusalem, who remembers how "*the Muslim women cooperated respectfully with the customs of the Jewish religion … the Muslim neighbors allowed the Jewish women to pump water necessary before the Sabbath*." Klein also describes how some Muslims even joined their Jewish neighbors in reciting religious prayers. He describes the cheder, a traditional elementary school where the basics of Judaism and the Hebrew language were taught, run by Hacham Gershon in the neighborhood of Sheikh Jarrah, where Arab parents brought their children so that they would learn how to behave properly. Klein also writes that sexual relations and marriages between Jews and Arabs were not unheard of, even if they were not considered legitimate. The European foreigners who came to Palestine were the ones to form a wedge between the partners to this quasi-utopia. Yeshayahu Peres, who put together the historical-geographical encyclopedia of the Land of Israel, complained that when the Zionist Ashkenazi Jews immigrated they brought with them their customs, clothing, and lifestyle, and did not adapt to the cultures of Palestine: "*They speak Yiddish and maintain the Jewish street accent of their home countries. They are different from their Sephardic brothers not only in language and appearance but also in their worldview.*" Or take Palestinian activist Ghada Karmi, who says: "*We knew they were different from 'our Jews,' I am talking about the Arab Jews. We saw them as foreigners who came from Europe more than as Jews.*" And that's exactly what they were. Zionists are not now and never have been Jews. They simply hijacked the religion and use it as a front. Klein writes that the Zionist establishment invented and nurtured the idealistic image of the Jews as Hebrew-speaking tzabars — as opposed to the Arab Jew. The myth of the tzabar was formed by a culture of immigrants who wanted to see themselves as natives. Maps were redrawn and Arab names of places were ignored or changed to Hebrew names. This was done not only to transform the immigrants into natives, but also to inherit the place of those who were here before. When Yosef Shlush, one of the founders of Tel Aviv, complained that he was attacked by Arabs, the heads of Jaffa's Arab clans responded: "*Who is at fault for all these incidents if not the Bolsheviks you brought from Moscow?*" This was the birth of Zionism in the state of Israel. The first part of the book, which describes life before the Nakba and the 1967 War, is full of historical anecdotes on how Zionism was viewed by the Palestinian leadership. Salim al-Husseini, the mayor of Jerusalem at the end of the 1800s, is quoted: "*This is not a political movement as much as it is a settler movement, and I am sure that not a single intelligent, wise Zionist does not imagine the idea of establishing a Jewish state in Palestine.*" Najib Azuri, a Maronite Christian from Lebanon who served in the Ottoman administration in Jerusalem and was one of the harbingers of Arab nationalism, said this in 1905: "*Both these movements will be resigned to continually struggle until one wins out, the fate of the entire world rests on the results of this struggle between two nations who represent two opposing principles.*"

Jamil al-Husseini said in 1914 that Zionism must be fought since its success may bring about the dispossession of Palestinians from their land, while Musa Kazim Pasha al-Husayni, who briefly served as Jerusalem's mayor and became a famous Palestinian leader, said that, "*the Arabs or their leaders do not hate the Jews as Jews. On the contrary, they want Jews present in the framework of an Arab federation… but the Arabs do not agree in any way that a minority of residents say that… they are the lords of the land… we believe that the Jews need to enjoy the rights they deserve relative to their numbers*," which at the time was less than 5%.

The book also describes what happened after the Nakba, and it is far more pessimistic. Klein claims that

1948 and 1967 were not two separate wars, but rather two rounds of the same war, basing his theory on a convincing comparison and many testimonies from both Jews and Palestinians. He writes about the expulsion of Palestinian from their homes, which were stolen and then re-populated by Jews — both in 1948 and again in 1967.

He describes the stories of refugees who returned to visit their homes and properties that were taken in 1947, and the meetings with the new residents who weren't always happy to see the refugees. Supreme Court Justice Zvi Berenson, who lived in a Palestinian home, refused to show the house to its former owners, claiming that he had invested much money in renovations. A different refugee who arrived at her old home ran into a Jewish immigrant from Poland who argued that the Poles took her old home, in an attempt to justify the fact that she has done the same thing to the Palestinian standing before her. Even the personal relationships between Jews and Muslims were disrupted by the wars, such as the one between Ishak Musa al-Husseini and his childhood friend Yaacov Yehoshua. Both studied together and remained friends until they were separated by the 1948 war. After '67, Yehoshua became a top Israeli clerk, while al-Husseini, whose family lived in the West Bank, came to his Jewish friend to ask for help in retrieving his family's property. Yehoshua decided not to help him, writing in is journal: "*It turns out that you have yet to come to terms with the new Jew — the same one you scorned in the past has now become a brave soldier, a tank crewman, a pilot.*"

Despite the wars and passage of time, Klein is able to show that, just maybe, there is hope for a shared life in this land — after all, that reality already existed. He proposes that the two nations, which have been fighting over the same piece of land for the past 100 years, may just be able to go back to living together like they had done for 1000s of years. I believe he's overly optimistic.

At right, Ms. Amna Shaheen, one of the few remaining survivors of the Nakba. Google her name for more info.

Two Palestinian women preparing a meal in Jerusalem using age old stoves that required very few coals to maintain cooking temperature, circa 1900

Cold pressing olive oil in Jerusalem in 1895

February 27th, 1946

3 BLASTS HIT PALESTINE

Mines Explode at Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Feb. 27 (U.P.)—Mines were exploded during the night and this morning at the income tax offices in Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem, and as a result police invoked drastic measures throughout Palestine, carrying out searches and arresting political suspects.

The Tel Aviv and Haifa mines exploded last night and the Jerusalem mine this morning.

There were no casualties, but police as a precaution evacuated the areas around the office.

Both Arab and Jewish newspapers urged the people to be calm.

The Irgun Zvai Leumi, the Jewish national military organization, issued a proclamation that said:

"There is no longer an armistice between Jewish youth and the British administration, who are not taking into consideration our loyalty and sacrifices, wherefore we are forced to draw our own conclusions fearlessly."

September 7th, 1947

IRGUN STEALS U. S. ARMS

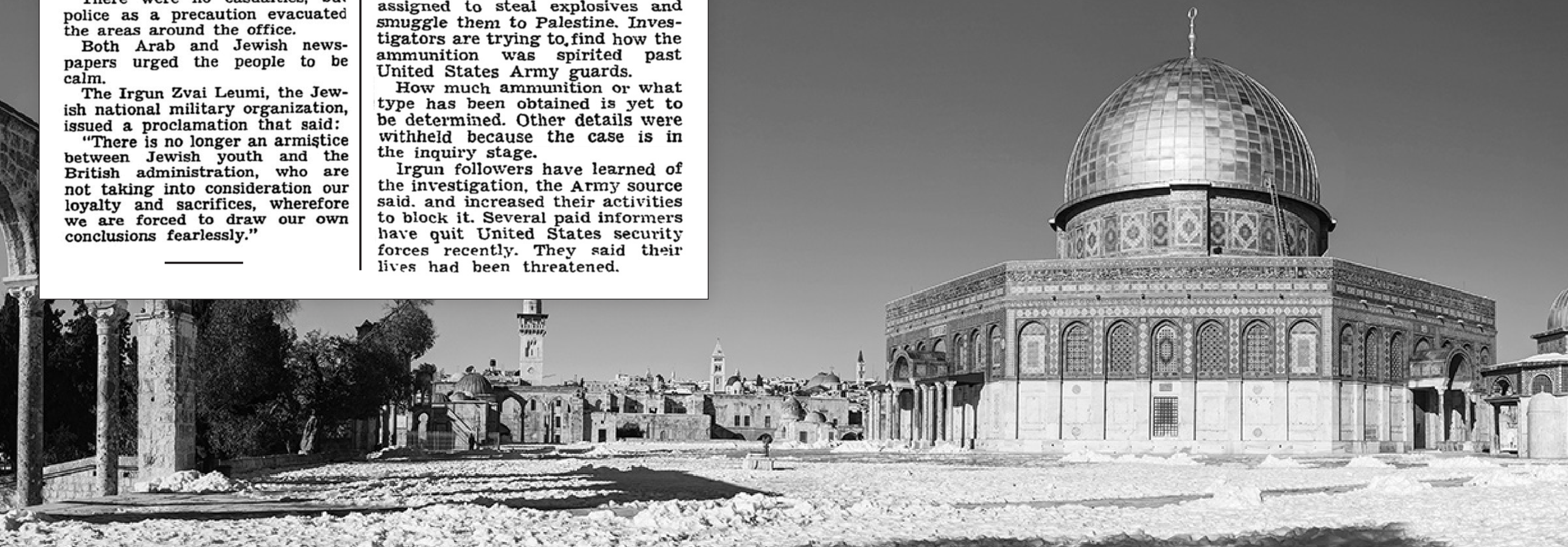
Underground Branch Reported Operating in Germany

MUNICH, Germany, Sept. 7 (AP)—Operatives of the Jewish underground in Palestine have received unauthorized shipments of certain explosives from United States Army ammunition depots, a competent Army source said today.

Asking not to be identified with the information, this source declared that an inquiry had divulged the existence of an Irgun Zvai Leumi branch in the Munich area, assigned to steal explosives and smuggle them to Palestine. Investigators are trying to find how the ammunition was spirited past United States Army guards.

How much ammunition or what type has been obtained is yet to be determined. Other details were withheld because the case is in the inquiry stage.

Irgun followers have learned of the investigation, the Army source said, and increased their activities to block it. Several paid informers have quit United States security forces recently. They said their lives had been threatened.



The Balfour Declaration, in all of its iterations and there were several, made one aspect of the agreement perfectly clear:

"nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine"

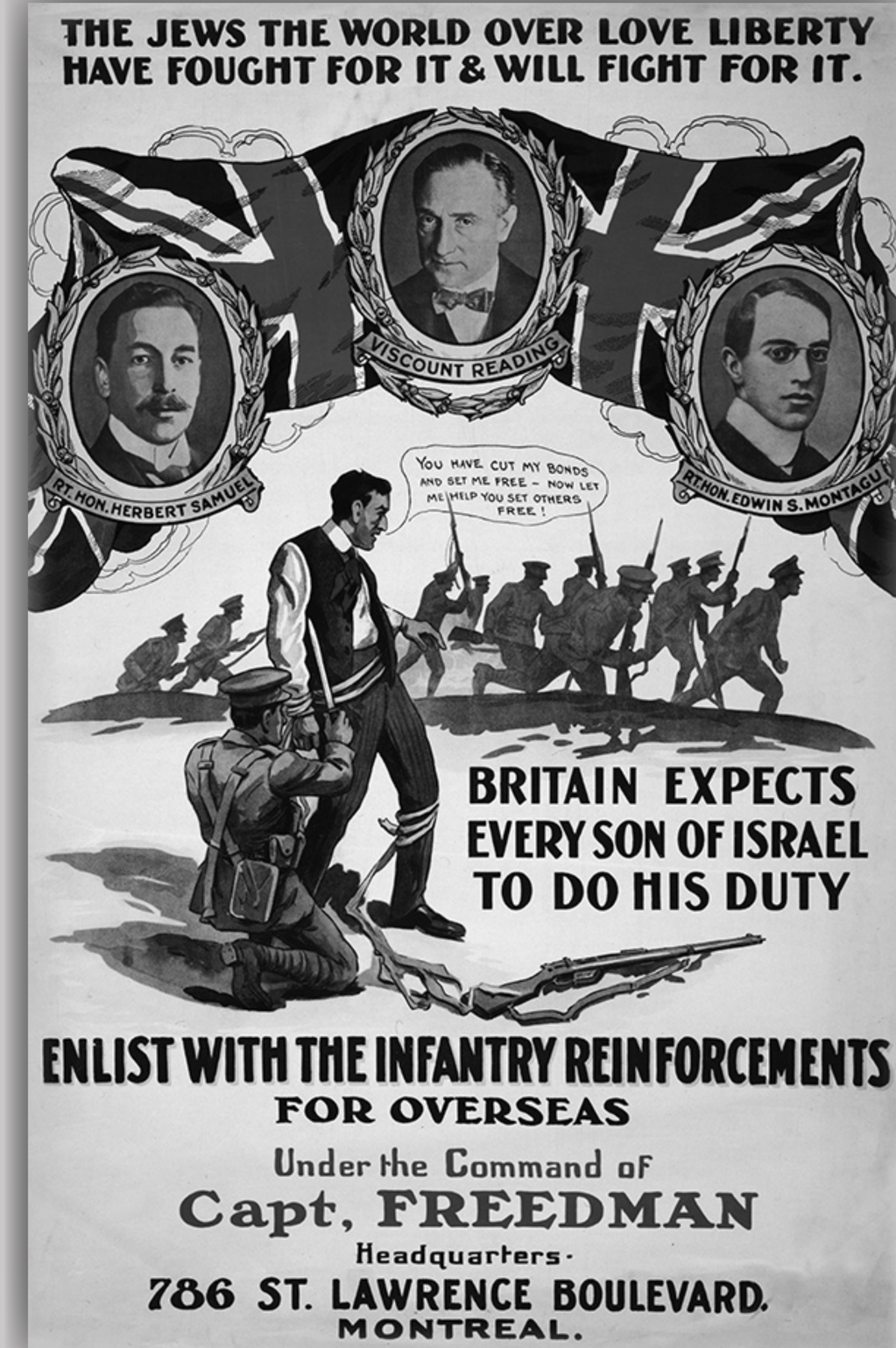
At left, a young Palestinian Muslim photographed in 1889 dressed in elaborate and expensive clothing indicating her family is likely from the merchant, government or land-owning class

WEAPONIZED ZIONISM

While it is certainly true that the Jewish people have deployed the worst of terrorism to acquire what was and still is Arab land, they do hold relatively deep roots in the land that is today known as Palestine. So does everyone else and those deep roots centuries ago amounted to less than one tenth of one percent of global jewry. This area of the world, Palestine, has been known as an international crossroads based on the extraordinarily varied nationalities and religions of the peoples settled there since the origins of the human species. In fact the oldest known Homo sapiens fossil outside of Africa was recently found in modern-day Palestine, dated at approximately 180,000 years old. Neanderthal bones have also been found in the Levant. In historical times the Palestine region or parts of it have been controlled by numerous different peoples and regional powers too varied to list completely but including yet not nearly limited to the Canaanites, Amorites, Ancient Egyptians, Israelites, Moabites, Ammonites, Philistines, Assyrians, Babylonians, Persians, ancient Greeks, Romans, Byzantines, and Muslims. The Levant has been a mixing pot for the people of three continents for thousands of years. The Zionist movement which for its first 2 decades included considerably less than 1% of global Jewry and was composed primarily of Russian Jews, arose in the late 1800s in Russia. Russian Jews saw as a concept for Jews from around the world to obtain a homeland of their own after having been banished from country after country for centuries. Jews, like the Roma, Rohinga, Armenians and even Mexicans were very often not well treated across the globe and for millennia. Changes were in order. A gathering of very wealthy and well-connected Zionists in Switzerland in 1897 chose a sparse and relatively unpopulated portion of an African nation where they were warmly welcomed as the location for their proposed Jewish State. They were outvoted two years later after the death of Hertzl when the Zionist organization voted that like "*Arabia is for the Arabs, Judea is for the Jews*." This in spite of the fact that the population of Palestine at that time was 96% Muslim and Christian. An exploratory group of Jews visited Palestine at that time and reported that, "*The bride is beautiful, but she is married to another man*." That other man of course was Muslim and Christian Arabs with thousands of years occupying this Palestinian land going back many dozens of family generations. Thus the Zionists understood from the very beginning that armed military force would be absolutely necessary to remove these people in Palestine for whom it had been a homeland for centuries. And removal was the policy, both written and unwritten

for decades. It still exists today, shrouded in secrecy. Palestine at that time was a province of Ottoman Syria, a region of the Ottoman Empire. Zionists inquired with the Ottoman Turks about the possibilities of creating a Jewish homeland; the Turks responded that immigrants of any group were welcome but that the land was already occupied and a restrictive race- and/or religion-based state was simply out of the question. Even in the 1940s the Arabs opposed Apartheid. The Zionists—these are the few wealthy, influential Zionists we're discussing here, no more than 6 or 8 men—then turned to the British, who were amenable to the concept for several reasons which we'll explore. One pressing reason was that in 1916 they were in danger of losing WW I. In the battle of Somme initiated in July of that year Britain suffered 57,000 casualties on the first day of fighting, an astounding number of dead young men. In the first day! The Zionists suggested that they and their Jewish friends in high places could induce the United States to enter into the war on the side of the British and the US had a population of several million Jews. An abundance of cannon fodder which soon came to fruition. In addition to other young Americans of all nationalities and religions that fought and lost their lives or worse, came home maimed for life, for the fanatical religious fundamentalist Zionists bent on using military force to rid Palestine of its indigenous population. Politically religious fanatics willing to sacrifice American lives, even Jewish Americans, for a foreign war to misappropriate and colonize a country inhabited by an indigenous Muslim and Christian population for centuries—Palestine.

American career Foreign Service Officer Evan M. Wilson, who had served as Minister-Consul General in Jerusalem, described this arrangement in his book Decision on Palestine. He wrote that the Balfour declaration "*was given to the Jews largely for the purpose of enlisting Jewish support in the war and of forestalling a similar promise by the Central Powers (Germany and the Ottoman Turks).*"



In addition, the Britain Crown and their toadies were still deeply involved in growing opium in its "*crown jewel colony*" of India to sell to the Chinese (*whom the British had conspired to get addicted to the drug almost two centuries before by mixing opium with tobacco*) and the British sociopaths were highly dependent on their forced addiction opium profits (see: the failed Boxer Rebellion).

Lastly, Britain needed more cannon fodder, Jewish cannon fodder, whose enlistment was imminent with Zionist support for their war effort demonstrated and exemplified by one of the many Jewish military recruitment posters pictured at left. Remember, they lost over 50,000 soldiers in one single day. After the United States entered the war 250,000 Jewish Americans enlisted and another 40,000 from the British Empire. The plan seemed to have worked well.

The Suez Canal was also a substantial consideration. Britain perceived a Jewish state in the area of the Middle East to be more friendly to its imperial holdings than the surrounding Arab Muslims.

Another significant reason that Britain embraced the idea of Jews displacing Palestinians was that fundamentalist Christians held the belief that the "*Second Coming of Christ*" would not occur until "*the Jews were back in Jerusalem*."

For 1000s of years, "*faith*" and "*religious belief*" have been used, abused and propagandized by those in power to foment war and obtain the irrational support of their citizens' kids for war. We can call ourselves incubator war fodder.

Unknown to many and not widely discussed, Arthur Balfour, a primary author of the Balfour Declaration of 1917 which gave British government support to a Jewish State in Palestine, was just such a Christian fundamentalist believer. A fundamentalist Christian with Jewish leanings was ultimately responsible in at

least initiating and lobbying for the policy that led to the establishment of the Jewish state much as if ISIS had developed a caliphate in the Levant. Imagine an ISIS caliphate in Palestine. Imagine ISIS building a wall around their caliphate, developing and paving Muslim only roads, buying up a bunch of F-35s and developing nuclear weapons on the sly. There's no difference here. Israeli Zionists are ISIS as ISIS is composed of Israeli Zionists. Mossads motto comes to mind, right? "*War by deception*".

As you'll soon see, Islamic Fundamentalist Terrorism is no different, at all, in any way, from Jewish Zionist Fundamentalist Terrorism. ISIS and Zionist extremists are cut from the same cloth. ISIS has never and will never attack Zionist Israel because ISIS is Zionist Israel—Zionist Israel supported and funded all of ISIS's military operations. Zionist Israel and the US could never put young American boots on the ground in Syria, Iraq, Yemen, Sudan, etc., so they put Islamic Fundamentalist terrorist boots on the ground.

I remind you, the US had almost 6 million Jews a good majority of which were men of recruitment and fighting age. American Jews fighting for American freedom and liberty were maimed and murdered for the terrorist state of Israel.

Thus, Britain supported the creation of a Jewish state on Palestinian land in order to maintain a number of core policies—its global empire (*a primary cause of WW I*), more cannon fodder, to protect its lucrative opium market in China, and to attempt to induce the '*seconding coming*' of Jesus Christ. If you can believe that—although it's an unfortunate truth. The enormous amount of unending violence and cruelty inflicted on the Palestinians, the outright murders, rapes and worse, has been perpetuated in the name of the Prince of Peace and the gods of capitalism. Psychopathy not withstanding of course.

The Third Palestinian Congress in Haifa in 1920 correctly opposed the British government's plans to support the Zionist project, and rejected the declaration as a violation of

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subjecting Palestinians: "to steady financial and social pressure to surrender the land, would be a gross violation of the principle of self-determination and of the peoples' rights."

"armed force would be required"

a policy from the very beginning

Because:

"The bride is beautiful, but she is married to another man."

international law and of the rights of the indigenous population, which of course it was. President Wilson sent a commission to Palestine to investigate the situation in person. After spending two months in the area interviewing all sections of the population, the commissioners stated that the creation of a Jewish state in Palestine could be accomplished only with "*the gravest trespass upon the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine*," pointing out that subjecting Palestinians "*to steady financial and social pressure to surrender the land, would be a gross violation of the principle of self-determination and of the peoples' rights.*"

Excuse me for a moment here, but what the funk were these sociopathic self-serving and self-righteous narcissists thinking when they stole not just the Palestinian land but their farms, their orchards, their livestock, their homes and personal possessions, when they poisoned their wells with Small Pox, disembowled pregnant Arab women, beheaded their infants, extorted Jewish owned businesses, robbed numerous banks and commercial operations, destroyed communication and energy infrastructure, burglarized and bombed British and US military bases, murdered dozens of soldiers, dozens more Palestinian Police Officers, 10's of 1000's of Arab civilians and Freedom Fighters and even their own—they murdered Jews too! What were they thinking? They're guilty of genocide by any and all nationally and internationally accepted definitions of that word, but they're guilty of immorality too.

And how the funk did the world allow this to happen? If you're not seriously disgusted like never before you should probably check for a pulse. These events were no secret. They were documented in writing in great detail and printed in newspapers across the United States, from the New York Times to the Tulsa Picayune Gazette and everything in between. These daily episodes were not unknown, they simply went unread. Maybe a few people will read some of the articles contained here more than 50 years later? Ya think?

The report stated that meetings with Jewish representatives made it clear that "*the Zionists looked forward to a practically complete dispossession of the present non-Jewish inhabitants of Palestine*," It concluded that armed force would be required to accomplish this, and urged the Peace Conference to dismiss the Zionist proposals. The commission recommended that "*the project for making Palestine distinctly a Jewish commonwealth should be given up*." The report was in fact completely suppressed and unknown to most today. When Britain obtained a "*mandate*" from the League of Nations it included the Balfour Declaration with full support for a Jewish homeland in what was existing Palestine.

Israel was born of terror war and revolution and its creation required a measure of fanaticism and cruelty

From this point on Jewish immigration to Palestine increased rapidly. When the newly created United Nations approved a partition plan in 1947, dividing land between Palestinian and Jews, the Jewish population had grown from less than 3% in 1900 to 30% and growing. But, because the United Nations has always been largely controlled by western powers, the Jews were given 55% of the land. The Zionists gladly accepted this partition plan, while the Arab Muslim community did not, as they were losing a considerable portion of what had been their homeland for centuries to Western imperial power. In internal discussions in 1938 David Ben-Gurion (first prime minister of Israel) stated that "*after we become a strong force … we shall abolish partition and expand into the whole of Palestine.*"

The passing of the partition resolution in November 1947 triggered the violence that State Department analysts had predicted and for which Zionists had been preparing. There were 100s of massacres of Palestinian villages, half of them before a single Arab army joined the conflict. Zionist forces were better equipped and had more men under arms than their opponents, and by the end of Israel's "*War of Independence*" over 750,000 Palestinian men, women, and children were ruthlessly expelled and over 600 Palestinian villages were leveled, made uninhabitable and completely destroyed. 1000s were brutally murdered and dismembered. The Palestinians call this the Nakba: the Catastrophe. As Israeli historian Tom Segev writes, "*Israel was born of terror, war, and revolution, and its creation required a measure of fanaticism and cruelty.*" Nothing could be more accurate when describing the dogma fueling Zionist terrorism.

One of the better-documented massacres occurred in a small, neutral Palestinian village called Deir Yassin in April 1948—before any Arab armies had joined the war. Richard Catling, British assistant inspector general for the criminal investigation division, reported on "*sexual atrocities*" committed by Zionist forces. "*Many young school girls were raped and later slaughtered,*" he reported. "*Old women were also molested.*" The Red Cross representative who found the bodies at Deir Yassin arrived in time to see some of the killing in action. He wrote in his diary that Zionist militia members were still entering houses with guns and knives when he arrived. He saw one young Jewish Zionist woman carrying a blood-covered dagger and saw another female terrorist stab an old couple in their doorway. The representative wrote that the scene reminded him of S.S. troops he had seen in Athens.

The Deir Yassin attack was perpetrated by two Zionist militias and coordinated with the main Zionist forces, whose elite units participated in part of the operation. The heads of the two militias, Menachem Begin and Yitzhak Shamir, later became Prime Ministers of Israel, their reward for mass murder and disemboweling pregnant Palestinian women. We won't even mention the internationally loved and admired Swedish Count Bernadotte and untold British soldiers, Palestinian Police Officers and innocent civilians. Begin, head of the Irgun militia, sent the following message to his troops about their victory at Deir Yassin: "*Accept my congratulations on this splendid act of conquest. Convey my regards to all the commanders and soldiers… Tell the soldiers: you have made history in Israel with your attack and your conquest. Continue thus until victory. As in Deir Yassin, so everywhere, we will attack and smite the enemy. God, God, Thou has chosen us for conquest.*"

The Jewish mystical book, the Kabala, teaches that non-Jews are the embodiment of Satan, and that the world was created solely for the sake of Jews. Rabbi Kook, aptly named, who somehow achieved saintly status among his followers in Israel and the U.S., stated: "*The difference between a Jewish soul and souls of non-Jews… is greater and deeper than the difference between a human soul and the*

souls of cattle." Unfortunately for Zionist objectives they have not to date been able to rid Palestine of the Palestinians. Of the approximately 12 million Palestinians in the world today, 3 million live in the West Bank, 2 million live in the Gaza strip, and almost two million live in Israel.

To say that Palestinians are treated as second-class citizens by the Israeli Zionists would be a considerable understatement. They're treated like insects. Every aspect of Palestinian life is controlled by the Israelis in a repressive, violent and sadistic manner. There are at least 7500 Israeli soldiers patrolling the West Bank regularly, for example, and at least 98 checkpoints, where Palestinians may be stopped for hours or even days or prevented from crossing entirely and Soldiers regularly raid all Palestinian homes and personal property; when a friend was teaching at an Palestinian elementary school in Hebron in February of 2018 it was raided by dozens of Zionist soldiers who fired tear gas into the school yard. There are over 600 Palestinian children under the age of 18 in Israeli prisons without adequate legal counsel—without legal council at all at times—and without family visits, along with approximately 6000 Palestinian adults. Since 1967 Israel has confiscated 73% of Gaza and the West Bank, including East Jerusalem. The Zionist government illegally encourages and subsidizes the construction of Zionist Fundamentalist Jewish settlements in the Occupied Territories whose members terrorize the surrounding Palestinian communities.

Pictured at right, a typical group of young people of the holy land who, as in the time of the old testament, still carry water from the wells on their heads in home-made vessels of clay. They dress, too, much in the same way as the women did in the time of Mohammad (PBUH). This happy group on the Mount of Olives, in Jerusalem, was photographed on September 1st, 1938.

Between 1967 and 1999 Israel established 200 illegal settlements by all international laws and norms in the territories, including East Jerusalem. These colonial outposts are built on hundreds of square kilometers of land illegally confiscated from Palestinians and require an enormous military presence around them for defense. Settlement building is illegal under international law; the fourth Geneva Convention prohibits the transfer of civilian populations of the occupying power into occupied territory.

A network of large, well-maintained Jew-only roads connect every Jewish settlement to Israel proper, roads upon which Palestinians may not travel, nor even walk across. All these roads are built on '*expropriated*' Palestinian land, and carve up the West Bank into isolated segments creating geographic separation amongst Palestinian families.

Now that the embassy is in Jerusalem the building of patently illegal settlements and Jew only roads is not only imminent but has already begun with fervor. Also since 1967 Israel has demolished over 48,000 homes in Palestine, leaving several hundred thousand Palestinians homeless. Palestinians wishing to build homes on their own land are subject to a lengthy and costly permit application process, and are almost invariably refused. The Israeli military then uses the lack of permits to justify destroying homes—bulldozed to rubble. Also since 1967 Israeli has torn out over 800,000 trees in Palestine, most of them olive and other food producing trees. The objective of this on-going cruelty is to drive the Palestinians out of Palestine. In fact Israel has proposed that Jordan would make a fine home for them. Make no mistake, from reducing available electricity, curtailing the availability of fresh water and eliminating high quality food import forcing the Palestinians into a nutrition free diet, everything Israel does is to torture the Palestinian people into complete slave-like submission, drive them out of Palestine or face a slow, diabolical genocide.

Clearly Israel is something more than an apartheid state, a word coined in South Africa meaning "*separateness*." Israeli Zionists want exclusiveness—exclusively Jews in Israel and Palestine. This exclusivity is in itself a myth, as it has been proven that genetically there is no such thing as a pure genetic race of Jews, and in fact Mediterranean Jews match Palestinian DNA at 100% (and all Homo sapiens have 99.9% the same DNA). From a religious perspective Jews are as divided among themselves as are any religious groups. In the name of this mythology of being a specially anointed people the Israeli governing bodies in general and Zionists in particular have committed on-going crimes and continuing brutality and cruelty against their own brothers and sisters, the Palestinian people, as well as countless others.

The Washington Post reports that: "*All 100 U.S. Senators signed a letter [recently] asking U.N. Secretary General António Guterres to address what the lawmakers call entrenched bias against Israel at the world body*." These people are out of their minds.

The letter … uses strong language to insist that the United Nations rectify what the Senators said is unequal treatment of Israel on human rights and other grounds. Unconscionable. Israel is the worlds consummate human rights violator. In fact, I'm certain a single day doesn't pass where Israel violates the human rights of numerous people, far too many to even bother counting. Israel is a violator extraordinaire!

Israel, ever presented as the eternal victim, has not just made a mockery of the world but also of the Balfour letter of 2nd November 1917.

"*His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine …*"

So much for the "*rights*" of the Palestinians. Between November 1947 and November 1948 five hundred and thirty one Palestinian towns and villages had been "*ethnically cleansed*." By 1952 it was six hundred and fifteen. Wells poisoned, inhabitants murdered.

This "Nakba" (catastrophe) more than seventy years after Israel's final founding, is ongoing. It's never ended. Israel is committing what many now call a "Slow Genocide" against the Palestinian population living within the borders of the illegitimate Israeli state.

All of the land grabs, every one of them, are also illegal and violate U.N. Charter, Article 2 & 51 (1945); Declaration on Principles of International Law Concerning Friendly Relations…, Principle 1 (1970).

Settlements on occupied lands violate Geneva Conventions IV, Article 49 (1949). It is illegal to colonize or transfer non-indigenous people to occupied land.
Taking land by force and claiming sovereignty violates: U.N. Charter, Article 2 (1945); Declaration on Principles of International Law Concerning Friendly Relations…, Principle 1. Israel is a chronic violator and has violated more UN resolutions than any other country on the planet, by a wide margin.

Forbidding civilian populations the right to return to their homes following the end of armed conflict is in direct violation of international law and UN resolutions. Geneva Convention IV, Articles 45, 46 & 49 (1949), UN resolutions 194 (III) (General Assembly; 1948) & 237 (Security Council; 1967).

Collective punishment violates Geneva Conventions IV, Article 33 (1949); Geneva Conventions (Protocol I), Article 75(2d) (1977). The list of breaches of international law is near endless as are the attacks on a people with no army, air force or navy, plus the decimations of 1967, 2008-9, 2014, 2016 and 2018.
Israel's violations of United Nations Security Council Resolutions, legally binding on Member-nations, include Resolutions – 54, 111, 233, 234, 236, 248, 250, 252, 256, 262, 267, 270, 280, 285, 298, 313, 316, 468, 476 and more, and this is a small sample of over 100.

The Senators would seem to have as little knowledge of the iniquities inflicted on the Middle East by foreign powers and cuckoos in the nest as their rookie brainless President. It is not Israel being meted out "*unequal treatment*" it is the Palestinians, thieved of their land, history, justice, culture and all normality.

"*The conflation of Jews with Israel, and of Judaism with Zionism, is not only intellectually incorrect, but it is politically incorrect, undermining liberal democracy by treating Jewish citizens as though they belong to a different body politic and a different country.*"
– Yakov M. Rabkin

With the recent 2018 death of 21 year old Razan Ashraf al-Najjar, the female Palestinian medic killed by Israeli gun fire while attending to injured protesters at the Israeli border fence with Gaza, the focus of the world's humanitarian concern and outrage has once again fallen on the Israeli-Palestine conflict.

According to the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza, as of the beginning of June, 2018, over 118 people had died in the demonstrations which started along the Israel-Gaza border. The protests, involving tens of thousands, started on Good Friday March 30th . The '*Great March of Return*' was meant to demand the right of return for Palestinians expelled from their homes and villages in 1948 during what they refer to as the Nakba, or "*catastrophe*."

The violence endured by the Palestinian population has reached a level of carnage unequaled since the 2014 Gaza War. That's right, carnage—they're being slaughtered by sharpshooters more than a mile away,

and that for simply coming within 20 or 30 feet of the border fence posing no threat at all. Doctors, nurses, ambulance drivers, children, Israeli sharpshooters will murder anyone and have.

This past week, Argentina withdrew its football team from a World Cup warm-up event in protest to Israel's actions against Palestinians in Gaza. A statement from the UK Parliament's Official Opposition leader Jeremy Corbyn, condemned the violence and the bystander role played by world governments in the face of this bloodshed. Unfortunately, the actions of other world leaders was far less inspiring. Canada's Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, after issuing a statement demanding an "*immediate independent investigation*" into the killings of protesters in Gaza, found himself, two days later, opposing such an investigation when the suggestion was tabled at the UN Human Rights Council. U.S. Ambassador to the UN, fabricator in chief Nikki Haley, defended the actions of Israeli Defense Forces with the astounding comment that, "*no country would act with greater restraint than Israel*." Obviously her heads been buried in the sand for decades or she suffers a severe neurological disorder, Lewy body dementia is likely indicated. And of course Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, the most pompous liar to exalt the global stage, framed Israeli retaliation to the protests as their only recourse against "*protesters seeking fatalities*." Yeah, every protest I've attended I couldn't wait to be fatally shot by a sharpshooter over a mile away using a rifle and scope sure to blow my body to pieces. That's why we attend protests after all, right?

As devastating as the well publicized casualties of the last two months may be, there is a serious humanitarian catastrophe that's played out for more than 100 years within the Gaza Strip. It's not called genocide but that's what it is. Human rights observers have noted that with dilapidated infrastructure stemming from previous brutal bombardments and heavy air assaults and the ongoing blockade, the strip of land we call Gaza may well be uninhabitable by the year 2020. That's less than two years from now. Please think about that. This is genocide.

The British maintained 3 large vessels for constant deportation sending 10s of 1000s of illegal aliens to a wide variety of refugee camps and foreign countries, few of which, including the US, were willing to accept healthy Jews let alone poor, uneducated and often times ill and sickly Jews. Exactly, the US government refused to accept even one of these Jewish refugees until after 1947. At right, the Nakba, 1948.

"Thanks to the terrible power of our International Banks, we have forced the Christians into wars without number.

Wars have a special value for Jews, since Christians massacre each other and make more room for us Jews.

Wars are the "Jews Harvest": The Jew banks grow fat on Christian wars.

Over 100-million Christians have been swept off the face of the earth by wars, and the end is not yet."

~ Rabbi Reichorn, from a transcript of his speech at the funeral of Grand Rabbi Simeon Ben-Iudah in 1869

Dr. Chaim Weizmann, at the send-off banquet given to Chief Rabbi Hertz on October 6th, 1920, is quoted as saying:

"A beneficent protection which God has instituted in the life of the Jew is that He has dispersed him all over the world."

~ The Jewish Guardian, October 8th, 1920

ZIONIST PARTURITION

Here we begin in Prague, what was then eventually the capitol of Czechoslovakia. In the mid-1800s Prague's majority population spoke German but by the late 1800s German speakers had decreased to less than 15% as the city sustained a significant population increase by civilians fleeing unrest in the rest of Bohemia and Moravia. It was here that a little known Rabbi, although with influence among the very small number of followers of what would become philosophical Jewish Zionism, as if there were such a thing, would give a speech that began the process of an ever-changing Zionist philosophy. Czechoslovakia was a creation out of World War 1 and the defeat of the Austro-Hungarian Empire and Prague was chosen as the capitol with Prague Castle the headquarters of president Tomáš Garrigue Masaryk. By 1930 Prague had risen to the heights of a European capitol city with a well-developed industrial base and a population soon to approach 1 million. Rabbi Zeichorn's 1869 speech was spectacular and his words excited the small crowd to action. Zeichorn said, and remember this because the leading, aristocratic Zionists do: "*With Gold one can buy the most upright consciences, with Gold one can fix the value of every stock, the price of every merchandise, one can loan it to states that afterwards one holds at ones mercy. Already the principle banks, the stock exchanges throughout the world, the loans to all governments are in our hands. The other great power is the press. By ceaselessly repeating certain ideas, the press in the end makes them considered as truths. The Theatre renders similar services, every where theatre and press follow our directives. By an indefatigable campaign in favor of the democratic form of government, we will divide the Gentiles amongst themselves in political parties, we shall thus destroy the unity of their nations, we will sow the seeds of discord. Powerless they will have to accept the laws of our bank, always united, always devoted to our cause. The possession of land has always procured influence and power. In the name of social justice and equality, we will divide the great properties; we will give small fragments to the peasants who desire it with all their heart, but who will soon be indebted to us by the very exploitation of these properties. Our capital will enable us to be the real masters. Let us use all force to replace the circulation of gold by that of paper; our banks will absorb the gold, and we shall decide what then what value the paper money will have, this will make us masters of every mans existence. We will promise to the workers salaries they have never dared to dream of, but we will also heighten the price of all necessities, so much so that our profits will be even greater. By our jokes and attacks we will render their priests ridiculous and eventually odious, their religion as ridiculous, as odious as their priests. We shall become the masters of their souls. But above all, let us get control of education, of the schools. By them we will spread the ideas that are useful to us, and we will mold the children's brains as we wish*". In 1869, the pathological, sociopathic, racist, Zionist ideology began to take hold, slowly, ever so slowly, and Judaism was hijacked by the Zionists and became today's global Zio-terrorism in our names, in the names of the good Jews.

THE LAST OF THE JAFFA COLONY.

January 27th, 1868

A Criticism of Adams by one of the Returned Colonists—Its Present Condition and Prospects.

From our Own Correspondent.

BOSTON, Monday, Jan. 27, 1868.

It was by chance that your correspondent here met a young lady a few days since who was one of the original colony that followed the fortunes of Rev. G. J. ADAMS to Jaffa, almost under the shadow of Jerusalem, in Palestine. In July, 1866, with her parents, she left a comfortable home in the State of Maine, and after nearly fifteen months' absence, and experiencing all the troubles and disappointments and dangers incident to the attempt to "convert" Palestine to the peculiar religious notions of Mr. ADAMS, she is now in the United States again, and her parents, whose father is a sea captain, are residing in the neighboring city of Chelsea. The name of the young lady is NORTON, and she, with others, will never forget the action of the pleasure-seeking passengers of the *Quaker City* in October last, for the kindness rendered in enabling her to return to the land of her birth. In a conversation with her I gained quite an interesting account of the history of the Jaffa enterprise and how it succeeded, or rather failed, and also all the phases of its existence up to the time the lady left it; and what she told me would seem to corroborate all the reports published in the American papers touching the bad character of its leader, and also contradicts many of the statements published in the letter of ADAMS to a Mr. STICKNEY, which appeared in the TIMES of Saturday last from a Washington paper. And as the condition and prospects of the Jaffa enterprise have been severely criticised, and as often defended, perhaps the following statements obtained from the young lady may not be uninteresting, for she left Jaffa about the time the Adams letter above referred to was written, dated Oct. 22.

That "the colony is now united and happy," Miss NORTON believes is true, for the reason that it has dwindled to so small a fragment, that it could hardly be otherwise. Of the original colonists only twenty-one now remain, instead of forty-five as stated by ADAMS. The names of the persons remaining are as follows: Mrs. Leighton and two children, of Indian River, Me.; Zebediah Alley, wife and one child, of Jonesport, Me.; Rolla Floyd and wife, of Indian River; Mr. Moulton and child, of New-Hampshire; Oliver Ward and son, of Indian River; Mrs. Watts and child, of Jonesport; Joshua Walker and mother, of Jonesport; Josiah Gray, and Mrs. Williams, of New Hampshire. ADAMS and his wife and son complete the whole number. The enterprise, it is alleged, became a failure in consequence of the colonists having lost all confidence in their leader, who deceived them and brought shame and disgrace upon himself. The colony never suffered for the want of provisions or house-room, and none of its members ever expressed such a state of things; but it has suffered from sickness and death. As to their crops, there were none gathered at all, for the reason that there were none to gather in consequence of the absence of rain, but not because the colonists were "lazy," as stated by their leader in the Stickney letter. The colonists, as a prudential measure, gave the thing a fair trial, but they could not overcome the natural laws of the country, or satisfy themselves with adopting the customs of the natives in respect to tilling wheat or eating grass like the beasts of the field. The complaints against Mr. ADAMS for drunkenness and threatenings against the lives of the colonists would seem to have some foundation in fact. The proof against ADAMS, which consigned him to a Turkish prison for twelve days was of the most conclusive character, and he was released only by giving bonds to keep the peace; and since that time up to Oct. 22, he had conducted himself in a decent manner, with an occasional indiscretion, however, unbecoming in one who would "restore" Palestine. The night before a number of the colonists left on board the *Quaker City* for Alexandria, ADAMS showed the ardent love he has for his wife by locking the door of his house against her, and compelled her to sleep on the soft side of the ample doorstep.

ADAMS is not guilty of having incited the natives against any of the colonists, for the reason that none of the Sultan's subjects dared to place themselves in the presence of the leader, who is, or was, a terror to them; and instead of any of the colonists preferring to become "United States beggars and paupers," they simply left Jaffa to escape the disaster in store for them had they remained there. The natives, from the very moment the colonists landed, declared their opposition to the new settlers, and they would not tolerate any innovation by them. Prejudice has been the great obstacle in the way of ADAMS' success; and for this reason it was almost impossible for the Yankees to obtain a day's work. Labor was not wanted; there was no demand for it; and when it was called into exercise, the colonist could realize only about twenty-two cents a day. Having, on their departure from Maine, turned all their goods and land into money, and invested it in building material and in lots in Jaffa, it soon became evident to the colonists that unless they could realize an income, their means of sustenance would soon be gone, and they would be left in a strange land to either beg or starve; but, to escape being ground between the upper and nether millstone, those who could made up their mind to return to the United States, and thus be delivered from a precarious condition. And those who survived to "secede" were only able to get away by disposing of their property at a sacrifice to a German missionary and M. D. at Jaffa, and which missionary, I am told, now owns a good share of the Adams village plot, and also holds a mortgage on most of the balance; and as he has a large claim upon the leader of the colony, whose place is also mortgaged, it is highly probable that the money-lender will soon press his claims, and become sole proprietor of the Yankee village. ADAMS and the remnant of the colony will then be left to shift for themselves. The financial condition of the colony is in a bad condition. The buildings erected by the colonists are of a very comfortable character. They are built of wood, made from lumber and other material carried out in the *Nellie Chapin*, in 1866, and are plastered, and some of them finished in a tasty manner, especially that of ADAMS. There are, or were, thirteen of them, besides a hotel, school-house and a store. The hotel is a useless structure for the want of travelers to support it, and the store is, or was unpatronized for the lack of a trading neighborhood. The colonists exhausted most of their substance in the erection of houses to live in, and as time went on apace, discontent seized upon most of them in consequence of finding nothing for their ready hands to do. This condition of things was aggravated by the unexpected and unprincipled conduct of their leader; and realizing that he in whom they had placed implicit confidence in the outset, was now no longer to be trusted as a counselor in temporal affairs, or as a shining example in spiritual matters, it was natural that the charmed circle should become broken and differences of opinion arise between members of the colony and their leader. In the course of time, ADAMS, who, prior to this state of affairs, had the colonists "under his thumb," so to speak, by reason of his peculiar powers of eloquence and of plausibility, found that his followers were deserting him, and, instead of employing plain and gentlemanly means to hold them together, resorted to invective and threats. This, instead of healing the breach, only widened the gap, and hence the present condition of the colony. A plain statement of facts in regard to himself and his conduct by those who have returned to the United States, he mistakes for "venom." If the "seceders" acted on the defence, they deserve to be shielded from the attacks of this leader, who has done his best to bend them to his unreasonable and unjust demands. It is cruel and uncharitable in ADAMS to report that the seceders desired to destroy

the colony or the enterprise. The crisis in its affairs justifies their conduct. The best instincts of humanity prompted them to return to the United States. It is also a libel upon those who have returned to be denounced as bad people—men of "corrupt minds" and "impure motives." No purer or better-intentioned men or women ever breathed than those who have come out from him, and many of them, the females particularly, are above reproach and are worthy to grace the best circles of society. Their only fault is in having made the mistake of going to Jaffa, under the leadership of such a man as ADAMS, and upon so visionary a mission. Once possessors of comfortable homes and well-to-do in the world, they are now bereft of both, and all that remains for them is to commence life over again and endeavor to retrieve their losses.

VIGIL.

EAST AFRICAN ZIONIST PROJECT

February 14th, 1904

Dr. Max Bernstein Says the Scheme Is Impracticable.

Conditions That Would Confront the Settlers on the Land Offered by the British Government.

A frank and unqualified verdict of condemnation of the project—as yet in its embryonic stage—of establishing a Zionist colony under British protectorate in East Africa is pronounced in an article on the subject, contributed to the February issue of The New Era Illustrated Magazine by Dr. Max Bernstein.

Dr. Bernstein is a Russian Jew, and received his education at the Moscow University. He practiced medicine on the vast estates of the Princess de Lieven until 1893, and when in that year the yoke was pressed down harder on the shoulders of the Russain Jews, he voluntarily abandoned a lucrative practice and emigrated to London, where he established himself.

Ever since then Dr. Bernstein has taken an absorbing and active interest in the Zionist movement. He was a delegate to the Sixth International Congress of Zionists, held in Berne last Summer, where the East African colonization scheme was first broached. Coming at a time when the hopes of establishing a rejuvenated Jewish nation in Palestine, the old home of the Jewish people, had received a setback, the Sultan having turned a deaf ear to every plea and persuasive effort that could be brought to bear on him from Zionist quarters, and when other havens of refuge had been barred while persecution of a sorely tried people was rife, the project fell on willing ears, but provoked passionate discussion, for among the delegates were many who had their eyes turned toward Jerusalem as the ultimate goal of all Zionist striving.

FROM OFFICIAL REPORTS.

Dr. Bernstein very frankly admits that he is a Zionist in the original conception of the term. His objections against turning Zionism into what he calls "East Africanism," though, are not altogether based on his predisposition in favor of Palestine, but rather due to conditions, varying in nature but all vitally affecting human existence, with which settlers of the proposed colony of necessity would be confronted. His information regarding these conditions Dr. Bernstein has gathered from official reports in the possession of the British Government, and he utilizes it in his aggressive effort to put to rout the hopes of those who have taken a more optimistic view of the project.

The spot which the English Government proposes to throw open to Jewish settlers is situated almost under the equator in what is known as the Rift Valley, a depressed area inclosed between two mountain ranges, the Kikuyu and the Mau, which reach a height of from 8,000 to 9,000 feet, while the valley itself has a mean elevation of about 6,000 feet above the level of the sea. The surrounding country is a mountainous highland, with vast plains and mountain ranges that are covered with dense tropical forests. It is situated, roughly speaking, about 350 miles from the coast, which is reached by the Uganda Railway, running between Mombasa on the coast and Victoria Nyanza in the interior, a distance of 587 miles. The nearest station to the proposed Jewish settlement would be the little town of Nairobi, which is 325 miles from the coast.

The general description of the surrounding territory, largely gathered from Government reports, which Dr. Bernstein renders, does scarcely sound inviting enough to boost land values in that part of Africa, and should make it appear a region of terrors to the poor Jew, even though he has lived in the midst of the crudest forms of civilization known to Europe, with persecution for his daily meat.

"The Rift Valley itself," writes Dr. Bernstein, "is scarcely inhabited at all. In the dense forests of the Mau Mountains live a few Wanderabos, a shy and wild hunting tribe, who kill their game with poisoned arrows. To the west of the Mau, in the best district of East Africa, live the Nandi, an intractable and in many ways aggressive tribe, who are rather troublesome to the Government. Among other things they endanger the railway by stealing the fastening pins of the rails and telegraph wires.

"The pins they use for braining their enemies, and the wire for adorning their women. Further west live the Kavirondo, whom his Majesty's Commissioner points out as one of the few tribes in the world among whom the females dispense with clothing, 'their whole costume being a coating of castor oil.' To the north and south live the Masai, a tribe, partly agricultural and partly pastoral, who have the organization of warriors and elders."

It is shown by the author that the region is nothing more nor less than a tropical wilderness, the spot on earth where natives and animals alike have been less touched by civilization than anywhere else. Colonists would have to be on their guard against the former with never-ceasing vigilance, while they would have to carry on a constant warfare against the latter. There are lions who eat man and domestic animals, and there are elephants, apes, rhinoceroses, and zebras who depredate fields and gardens and rapidly would do away with the profits of agriculture if left unmolested. Game of all sorts abounds, and the region would be a sportsman's paradise were it not for the fact that here, as elsewhere in the heart of Africa, the relation between hunter and hunted is most frequently reversed.

THE CLIMATIC CONDITIONS.

In regard to climatic and sanitary conditions, Dr. Bernstein finds from British Government reports of 1901 that despite a terribly high death rate among the small European population—there were at that time in the entire protectorate, covering an area of 350,000 square miles and with a native population of 4,000,000 only 450 whites—that "the climate is not unhealthy and that large parts of the protectorate are suited to colonization by Europeans." In 1903 the Government bulletin reports an outbreak of the bubonic plague, which spread rapidly by means of a species of large rats, that not only infest dwellings but roam at large on the plains. It claimed many lives before it was suppressed.

But the greatest menace of all to health is by the so-called "sleeping sickness," a quaint disease also known as "African lethargy," because it is indigenous to equatorial Africa. It attacks not only foreigners, but natives, who are seized with ever-increasing drowsiness, and finally go off in a long sleep during which they succumb to starvation, because it is impossible to awaken them. The disease is epidemic, and in 1903 caused considerable loss of human life among the Kavirondos, who inhabit the mountains to the west of the proposed colony.

Dr. Bernstein has not satisfied himself with the Government reports on the subject of sanitation, but has gleaned some additional information from reports of the Uganda Railway. From these he finds that 11,500 out of 20,000 employes were forced to seek hospital treatment during the year 1902, that 543 were invalided home, and that the death rate was 33 per cent.

As to the mode of living, Europeans, it is stated, can live and dress in about the same way as in England, the average temperature being surprisingly low, about 67 degrees at 9 in the morning and 78 at noon, but a sun helmet must be worn until 4 o'clock in the afternoon. They can work outdoors from 6 to 10 in the morning and from 3 to 5 in the afternoon. A little later deadly miasmatic vapors begin to issue from the rich and sodden soil, and within an hour the equatorial night descends on the land with only a few minutes of twilight to herald its approach.

Regarding the products and potentialities of the territory, Dr. Bernstein finds that they consist almost exclusively of castor oil beans, plant fibre, and sunflowers as possible materials for future industry and trade, and that European vegetables and potatoes thrive well. There is a distant hope of coffee and possibly silk, but very serious offsets are presented in the fact that it has not as yet been established whether grain, the staple article of food for Europeans, will grow, and that the grazing is suitable only to cattle which have been very carefully selected. As a result of the dampness of the grass, animals brought from the coast generally die.

But the chief difficulty, according to Dr. Bernstein, is that the territory offered for the colony would not accommodate more than 70,000 settlers at the most—not enough for the establishment of an African Zion. Another difficulty is found in the fact that the Government itself will do nothing for

the settlers beyond letting them have the land on easy terms. In fact, the Government has strongly advised against anybody emigrating to this region unless he has at least $1,500 to begin life with. Dr. Bernstein declares that no Jew who possesses that amount of working capital would dream of investing it in this tropical wilderness, where returns naturally are too distant to impress themselves very vividly on his mental vision.

"If the British Government can find suitable land for a certain number of Jewish settlers, we may act as brokers, even as controllers," says Dr. Bernstein. "But let us clearly understand that that is not our primary business; that Zionism cannot be on circuit, like an English Judge, and lend its flag to-day to East Africa and to-morrow to Timbuctoo. A settlement in East Africa does not need the Zionist flag at all. We can treat with this Government and that, but let us not get giddy with imaginary honors. Zionists must keep free of the side squint for effect; we must look straight for our own aim."

PILGRIMS TO JERUSALEM

Modern Worshippers at the Shrine Within Its Walls.

March 4th, 1895

CHRISTIANS, MOHAMMEDANS, AND JEWS

The Scenes Now in the Holy City, Which Has Been the Prize Contended for During Many Centuries.

JERUSALEM, March 4.—The terrors of the Jaffa shore have been world famous ever since Jonah began here his short and unique voyage along the Syrian coast. The most direct route from Europe to Jerusalem is by the way of Jaffa—ancient Joppa. It is amazing to think that King Solomon, when he was building the temple at Jerusalem, brought his timber and much of his other materials by the way of Joppa, and that the Crusaders landed here with all their impedimenta on the way to the Holy City, then in the hands of the Saracens. Perhaps the wonder is not so great that they landed here, as that nothing has been done from that time unto this to make the landing more safe or expeditious. Doubtless the pilgrims from the Fürst Bismarck, the other day, were carried ashore precisely as King Solomon's supercargoes were, say B. C. 1000. The town of Jaffa rises on the outer surface, as it were, of a bowl overturned, whose rim rests on the sea. The houses are drab or white, with red-tiled roofs and green shutters mixed in among them by way of variety. In the lovely dales and little valleys about the city, as well as in the city itself, are orange groves that bear the biggest and juiciest fruit in all the East. The beach is long and level, and the surf breaks upon it continually, save at one point, where a reef some thousand feet long defends and at the same time threatens the place of landing, a stone mole, whose steps are worn smooth by the feet of generations of pilgrims and strangers. The reef, which is a black and cruel line of ragged rocks, curves outward in front of the landing, and in its deepest segment is a break just wide enough to admit a mediaeval rowboat, with its long and antediluvian oars. The shrieking and jabbering Arabs bring their craft under the ship's gangway, the sea boils and froths, and the clumsy boat rises and falls on the yeasty waves. Just as the Arab craft has risen to the level of the gangway, a passenger is flung in. The boat is filled, and the Arab oarsmen, bending to their sweeps, skillfully guide the craft over the billows, and, watching their chance, shoot through the narrow passage in the reef, their oar blades just grazing the rocks on either side; another scramble, another breathless pause, and we are in smooth water inside the reef. The Arab boatmen are well-built and sinewy fellows, apparently familiar with danger and sufficiently well balanced to be able to pass around the hat or fez for backsheesh when in the most perilous portion of the passage. While they row, they sing a wild, weird strain, the stroke oar bawling in a not unmelodious voice something that sounds like "Halee-hale," and the chorus coming in strong with "Kabbity-bak-sabbatikum," or words to that effect. Delivered from the perils of the sea, the visitor is slung up in the stone mole, and, pulling himself together, he may well be thankful that he is on the soil of the Holy Land at last.

Jaffa does not afford much excitement to the sightseer. The house of Simon the Tanner, where St. Peter was sent to witness the heavenly vision and learn the gospel of democracy in the words that "God is no respecter of persons," is one of the historic landmarks of the place. Here is the house, a ruin of very great antiquity, with the identical housetop on which he may have slept when he beheld the sheet let down from heaven, knit together at the corners, and filled with divers four-footed creatures. If we begin at Jaffa to inquire too curiously into the authenticity of tradition, what will become of us later on when we get to the fountain-head of all ecclesiastical tradition, Jerusalem? Suffice it to say that Jaffa is a very real and a very Oriental place. And a very real person was a venerable lady who, sitting in the doorway of the Jerusalem House selling Arab purses, attracted my attention by her admirable pronunciation of my native New-England tongue, as "bôt" for "boat," "côt" for "coat," and "spôn" for "spoon." She gladly told me that she came

Mr. Hassan Quffa, a Nakba survivor. Google his name.

from Jonesport, Maine, that she was the wife of a sea Captain, and that she migrated hither with the Adams colony from Maine and New-Hampshire twenty-eight years ago. When we reached the Jaffa Gate of the Holy City, we beheld on the wall thereof the name of Rolla Floyd, agent of Gaze & Co., tourist conductors. Floyd is another relic of the Adams colony, highly respected by an army of American tourists. The world is pretty small after all. The Jonesport lady of Jaffa does not think she could stand the Maine Winters. They have no frosts on the coast of Palestine, and she "cal'lates to stay."

The old road from Jaffa to Jerusalem, that by which the lumber wagons of Solomon and the hosts of the Crusaders traveled, is still open to tourists, and it is as rough and rocky as ever. But the modern tourist chooses the narrow-gauge railroad which a French company has built and is running at an annual loss of many thousands of dollars. Jerusalem is thirty-five miles from the Mediterranean, "as the crow flies;" by rail it is fifty-six miles. The first stage of the journey is through a gently undulating plain, gay with flowers and covered with a carpet of the most brilliant emerald. We pass orchards of orange trees, golden with the fruit of the Hesperides. Then come broken ravines and low hills terraced with vineyards, and the rockless soil gives place to fields sown with fragments of limestone. In such a locality we pass Ramleh, and not far from here is the scene of Napoleon's massacre of two thousand Albanians who had surrendered as prisoners of war, and were put to death by the bloody-handed Corsican, because he could not be incumbered with so many captives on his march. Now we have emerged from the Plain of Sharon and have entered upon a rocky and broken range of hills. Among these the train groans on its way, up a fearful grade and around masses of rock piled to heaven, compared with which the stoniest part of stony New-England would be a marvel of fertility. We painfully pursue the upward grade for more than three hours and a half, hopefully looking for the City of David to burst upon our view at each headland around which we wind. It refuses to burst; and at last, puffing alongside of a bare limestone station, we are at Jerusalem! Mounting a wheeled vehicle as cumbrous as a Roman chariot and as antiquated as Noah's Ark, we are driven by a veritable Jehu, son of Nimshi,

Washing clothes in Jerusalem circa 1900

"for he driveth furiously," for a space of five minutes; then we are halted, and looking out we behold the Jaffa Gate, the Tower of David, and the Citadel of Saladin. On the left of the gate, nailed up against the old gray wall, is the sign of Thomas Cook & Son, and over against it, on the right, is the emblem of Gaze & Co., Rolla Floyd, agent. This is the Holy City!

Jerusalem, inside the gates, is crowded, dirty, compressed, and unsavory to the last degree. The best hotels are outside the walls. To one of these, which was once a monastery, we were taken, and stone-floored and stone-walled bedrooms that were once monks' cells are assigned us. It is early March; we are 2,500 feet above the level of the sea; the rain and the thermometer fall with a rush, and the wind is never weary. There is almost no provision for warming the chilled passengers except an occasional and difficult "hot Scotch," or a brazier of charcoal introduced into one's narrow cell.

But do not think that cold or rain has kept the American pilgrims within doors. We have been conscientiously "doing" the centre of the earth; and, lest these frivolous observations should be regarded as indicating a state of mind equally frivolous, let me say that I do not see how any intelligent man can look without profound emotion upon this city, gray with age, and picturesque in its ruin. About its walls what fierce and bloody contests have raged, and what tremendous events have had for their stage this venerable pile and these stony hills! There is the Mount of Olives, on which our Lord sat when he propounded His gospel in the Sermon on the Mount. At its base lies the Garden of Gethsemane, where, among those aged olive trees, He bowed in his agony and bloody sweat; and there is the Triumphal Way, along which he rode when the fickle multitude cast their garments before him, shouting "Hozanna! Blessed is He who cometh." These and other sacred places cannot have their traditional exactitude brought into question. When we ascend the mountains and enter the Church of the Holy Sepulchre we are troubled by the multiplicity of holy places crowded into a very small space. But under the Dome of the Rock, on its sacred eminence, Mount Moriah, we may be sure that we find the rock on which the Jews, from the time of King Solomon downward, were wont to offer their sacrifices. The Dome of the Rock is the chief architectural feature of the temple platform or haram. That platform is in the southeast quarter of

The Jerusalem grain market circa 1900

The Mosque El-Akra, on the same platform, interested us very much. Founded by the Emperor Justinian and dedicated to the Holy Virgin, it was converted into a mosque by the Moslems at the end of the seventh century, and, its cruciform shape being changed by sundry alterations, a Moslem mosque it still remains. This noble edifice, built on the plan of a basilica, 88 yards long and 60 yards wide, is one of the most satisfying architectural show places in Jerusalem.

Of course all interest centres in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. It would be useless to attempt to describe this much-described congener of holy places. There are just thirty-seven of these sacred spots. Everything that can possibly be connected with the death, burial, and resurrection of our Lord is preserved, marked, and pointed out. At each of these we saw a crowd of devout worshippers. The Russian Government has done much for the Greek Church here, and hundreds of Russians, most of them poor peasants, who have come thousands of miles to the Holy Sepulchre, crowd the sacred places. I saw a meanly-clad man, characteristically Muscovite in dress and appearance, kissing with rapture the often-renewed slab of alabaster under which, it is believed, lies the stone on which the body of Christ was laid for preparation for burial. The pilgrim wept copiously and silently as he kissed the stone. The Latins, the Greeks, the Armenians, and the Copts strive with each other for prescriptive rights within the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. They sometimes come to blows. A fat Turk squats cross-legged at the main entrance as an arbitrator when disputes arise, and sneering Turkish soldiers are scattered around within to preserve order. Each sect follows the other in the allotment of times and seasons, each crowding upon the other in the subdivisions of the day. The confusion is something wonderful, and all sense of solemnity is lost. It is, after all, a mournful spectacle. If the great powers could agree as to what should be done with his possessions in Europe, the Unspeakable Turk would be forced back into Asia. If this were accomplished, the Holy Sepulchre, for whose possession so much blood and treasure have been expended through the centuries, would fall once more into Christian hands; for these holy places nations have fought, age after age, and the same power that drives the Turk across the Bosporus will expel him from Jerusalem.

Fishing in Haifa circa 1900

Meanwhile, Zion waits for her deliverer. Down below, on the western side of the platform, on which stood Solomon's Temple, among the ruck and filth of the Moghrebbins of Northwestern Africa, is the Wailing Place of the Jews. There are the few courses of stone that remain of the original foundations of the temple. There the Jews assemble on Fridays, kissing the stones and chanting, with tears, penitential psalms and chapters from the Lamentations of Jeremiah. Above them tower the battlements of the Crusaders and the Saracens. The mourners weep and kiss the impassive stones, still turning their backs on the Light of the World. It is a strange sight. Even in the confusion of tongues and the strife of sects here, one must needs be impressed with the central fact that Christ is to a multitude of people all over this world the Saviour of mankind, and, though the Jews love and venerate the City of David, worship its outer walls, and disregard the interior that witnessed Christ's life, mission, and death, all that makes the city holy to the majority of men is that which relates to Him who was the Son of David. Standing on the Mount of Olives, whence one can see the Dead Sea, the Jordan, Bethlehem, Gethsemane, and the gray, grim walls of Jerusalem, the student of ancient history recalls with profound emotion the memory of mighty struggles for the possession of this city set upon a hill. It has no strategic importance, no agriculture, no commerce, and no industrial future. But it has been the prize contended for during many thousands of years. To-day, as we gaze upon its hoary walls, long trains of pilgrims are pouring into scarred gates. They come to worship at the shrine of the Prince of Peace. But as we look once more upon those battlements, so often assailed and defended, so often drenched with blood, we recall the saying, "I come not to send peace, but a sword."

NOAH BROOKS.

At right we see a family farming, with the community where they live at the top of the mountain in the background, in Palestine, circa 1900.

SAYS THE ZIONISTS DISTURB PALESTINE

January 17th, 1914

Dr. Paul Nathan of Berlin Asserts Jewish Cause Is Imperilled.

TERRORISM, RUSSIAN STYLE

Statements Exaggerated, New York Jews Say—Dispute Over Question of Language.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

BERLIN, Jan. 17.—Grave charges against what he terms the "arrogant Zionist activity" in Palestine, with which prominent men in New York are identified, are preferred by Dr. Paul Nathan, a well-known Jewish leader in Berlin. Dr. Nathan has just returned from the Holy Land, where he went on a trip of investigation on behalf of the German Jewish National Relief Association, through which the Jewish philanthropists in America and Europe operate.

In a pamphlet issued to-day Dr. Nathan accuses the Zionist elements in Palestine of stirring up discord, even among the Mohammedan and Christian populations, to such an extent that the entire Jewish cause is imperiled. Allegations based on documentary evidence are made that alleged Zionists are carrying on a campaign of terrorism modeled almost on Russian progrom lines. Their hostility is directed mainly against the schools established under the auspices of the German Association and is said to spring from failure to realize their desire to establish a great technical college at Haifa, where wealthy American Jews already have endowed various institutions.

Dr. Nathan declares that attempts have been made to blow up some of the German schools, and that the Zionists have not shrunk even from organizing riots. Matters recently reached such a pass that the Mohammedan Governor of Jerusalem was compelled to issue a public warning against further disturbances of the peace. Only strong resistance on the part of the religious elements in the country resulted in effecting a partial restoration of order.

Dr. Nathan says he desires to raise his voice against the "overwrought Jewish nationalist chauvinism." As a friend of Zionist works he appeals to their supporters throughout the world to suppress the "officious intriguing elements at work in Palestine," which threaten Judaism's interests with incalculable and irreparable harm.

Leading Jews in New York were inclined to believe last night that Dr. Nathan's charges were greatly exaggerated. They said that differences of opinion over the language to be taught in the institute at Haifa, whether Hebrew or German, existed in Palestine as well as among Jews everywhere, but while admitting that there was more intensity of feeling in Palestine than in Europe or America, they said that the Zionists there had never been guilty of violence and intriguing as charged by Dr. Nathan.

Louis Marshall, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Haifa Institute, said last night that Dr. Nathan's charges as reported were ridiculous.

"No responsible Zionists there have been guilty of the acts charged in the cablegram," he said. "It's all nonsense.

Mr. Marshall added that the Trustees of the institute would hold a meeting to-morrow and issue a full statement regarding conditions in Palestine.

Dr. Solomon Schechter of 468 Riverside Drive, another member of the Board of Trustees of the Haifa Institute, said he believed the reports of Dr. Nathan's charges were exaggerated. He said he knew Dr. Nathan to be a well-informed man, but that he could not believe that he had issued the pamphlet as described. Dr. Schechter went on to explain the situation in regard to the Haifa Institute, which is now being built, and will be opened soon.

"The question," he said, "is one of language. When the Institute opens, shall German or Hebrew be taught? The Zionists believe that Hebrew should be made the universal language among the Jews in Palestine and the strongly German adherents want the German language generally adopted. Others, willing to compromise, are willing that Hebrew shall be taught in the literary departments of the Institute and German in the scientific ones. What will be done is to be decided by the Trustees, who are not partisan as a body at all. Mr. Marshall, for example, is not a Zionist, while I am.

"The question in America and Europe is simply a matter to be adjusted deliberately by men representing different points of view, but in Palestine the feeling is more intense. At present the Jews there are a polyglot people. Some speak a Spanish dialect, others German, others Arabic, and so on. They have no common medium of intercourse, and realize that some one language must be adopted by them all. Naturally, their prejudices are more fixed than ours and they are not as patient, but I do not believe that any responsible element among them has been guilty of violence or serious indiscretion."

Dr. Schechter added that there was not the slightest danger of the intense feeling in Palestine breaking out among the Jews of America or Europe. The Trustees of the institute, he said, were laboring solely for peace and would decide the language question judicially after the arguments for all points of view had been heard. He also said that whatever disturbances there had been in Palestine he was sure they were simply the result of an outbreak of transient passion and that no serious effect would be felt from them.

Prof. Berris Schatz, President of the Bazelel School, who is informed on the situation in Palestine from personal observations made recently there, said last night that Dr. Nathan was entirely wrong in attributing the trouble to intrigue. He said:

"Of my own knowledge I know that the leaders of the Zionists and others who have the confidence of the people in Palestine took every means possible to a vert such a condition as has arisen. Before the trouble a ctually showed itself the leaders counseled against any acts of violence. In every issue of the local Palestine Jewish papers a warning was published to the Jewish public advising them not to show violent resentment at the attempt to Germanize he new university.

"Here is this new university and technical school, for which more than a million dollars were contributed, and the larger part from American men, and now the attempt is being made to make the German language the predominant language and treat the Hebrew language as a foreign one, and this, too, where Hebrew is the native tongue of the population of the Jewish faith.

"Dr. Nathan went there to try to smooth matters over, but he only added to the resentment. The trobule with him is that he is more German than the Germans. The people there will not permit any foreign influence to dictate to them on this neutral ground for purposes of politics or trade.

"My only regret is that Dr. Nathan has so thoroughly failed to understand the spirit that moves the whole Jewish population of Palestine. The contributors of funds for the building of the school were given to understand that the language of instruction should be Hebrew, as it is in so many other Jewish schools in Palestine. Even the teachers and students of the other schools under the direction of the German National Relief Association went on strike to voice their displeasure against Dr. Nathan ,who is Chairman of the committee that announced the dropping of Hebrew as the predominant language with the opening of the university."

The Rev. Dr. D. de Sola Pool, who agreed with the views of Prof. Schatz, said the prospect of trade in the development of the Turkish Empire gave the

nation san added interest in Palestine, but with the exception o fthis latest attempt to Germanize this largest school, the nations had regarded it as neutral ground, and had made no effort to interfere with any of the rights of the Hebrew population.

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The Jaffa Gate pictured above in 1910, at different times also called, Bab al-Khalil, Bab Mihrab Dawud, Gate of David's Chamber and David's Gate, among other names, is one of seven main stone portals built into the walls of the historic old city of Jerusalem. Today, inside Jaffa Gate is a small square with entrances to the Christian Quarter to the left, the Armenian Quarter to the right past the Tower of David and the Muslim Quarter and marketplace straight ahead. Offices and shops line the square.

JEWS OF RUSSIA EAGER FOR ZIONISM

Councilor Rosoff Says That Their Misery Is Greater Now Than Under the Czar.

PREPARING FOR PALESTINE

January 9th, 1919

Organizations Are Already Financed for Developing a National Existence There.

By WALTER DURANTY.

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Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PARIS, Jan. 9.—In the settlemen of the Near Eastern question, whicl is one of the most complex before th Peace Conference, it is difficult to ex aggerate the importance of reconsti tuted Palestine, both as a "fermen of civilization" among the semi-bar barous Arab tribes and as a mediun for the cultivation and developmen needed to restore the whole regioı from the sea to Mesopotamia to it: ancient prosperity.

In a previous dispatch the Zionis representative, Dr. Sokoloff, outline for THE NEW YORK TIMES the gen eral program of the new Jewish Com monwealth and emphasized the eager ness of the Jewish population in Russia and Central Europe to find a peaceful home in their ancient Fatherland.

Today Mr. Rosoff, one of the most prominent Jewish Nationalists in Russia, explained to me why the great mass of his co-religionists in the former Empire of the Czars were more than ever desirous of a return to Palestine and detailed the plans and organizations they had already formed with that object.

"When I left Russia," he said, "in the Autumn of last year, the position of the Jews was already worse than under the Czarist régime, and every report I have since received announces greater suffering and persecution. In Russia proper, of which I can speak with certain knowledge as a City Councilor of Petrograd and member of the principal Jewish committees, our unhappy people are exposed without protection to the attacks both of the Bolsheviki, who regard us as bourgeois, and of their opponents, who suppose that our ill-treatment by the former régime has necessarily made us revolutionaries.

"To my surprise, the latter opinion seems to be shared by the outer world, which has gained an impression from the prominence of certain Jews in Bolshevist activities that we have rallied in a great majority to the cause of terrorism. The figures of the Jewish vote in the four elections in which we have taken part since the overthrow of the Czar show the utter falsity of this view more effectively than a thousand arguments.

"Since last August the Bolsheviki have forbidden any Jewish organ to appear. Do you wonder that the Jewish population is almost unanimous in support of Zionism? Already all classes of our people have gone far along the path of organization and are preparing for a new life that will be different. There is in Russia one association of young men called 'The Pioneers,' whose 15,000 members have been training on the land for the past eighteen months to fit themselves for agriculture. There is a syndicate of contractors for construction work called 'The Builders,' with a capital of 10,000,000 rubles, and another for the improvement of land, drainage, irrigation, &c., with a capital of 15,000,000 rubles. Other syndicates have been formed to handle transportation and to erect supply depots and warehouses, and the most important group of all will undertake the development of such railroad and port concessions as may be granted us.

"It is worth emphasizing that the leaders of the Zionist movement have taken all precautions against a flood of semi-pauper immigration. That brings me to the reception the Zionists are likely to receive from the present inhabitants of Palestine. The great majority of the latter are Arabs. In the past they have made no objection to the purchase of land by Jewish colonists, of whom over 15,000 are already established in some fifty settlements. The time may not be far distant when there may be a rich, happy, prosperous Jewish community of 5,000,000 or 6,000,000."

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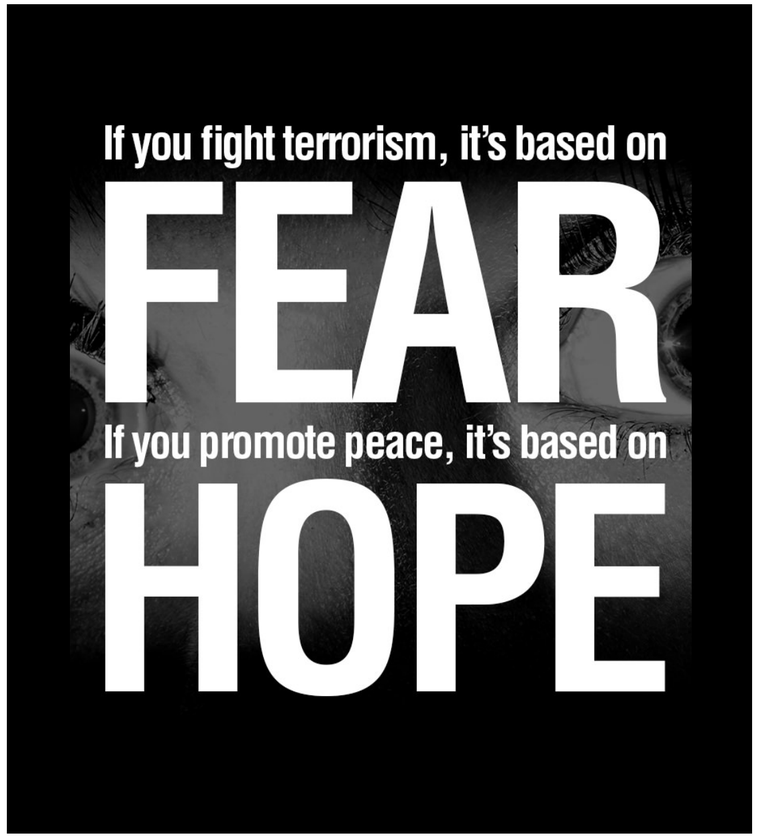
Above, Russian Zionists make the long trek through the rough terrain and the harsh environment towards Jericho, Palestine, in 1900.



April 20th, 1922

PALESTINE ARABS BITTER.

General Protest Against Redrafted Text of Proposed Constitution.

JERUSALEM, April 20 (Associated Press).—The publication locally of the re-drafted text of the proposed Constitution for the State of Palestine and its Municipal Councils has been received with signs of indignation on the part of the Arab population, without distinction of religion or political creed.

Organizations all over Palestine, as soon as the import of the text became known to them, began sending strongly worded protests to Premier Lloyd George, to the Council of the League of Nations at Geneva, and to the leading members of the British Parliament. The Arab delegation at present in London sent two of its members to Genoa to submit a protest to the delegates to the Genoa conference. Sir Herbert Samuel, High Commissioner for Palestine, is at present in London to confer with the British Government on the attitude of the Arab population toward the Constitution.

The new draft confers upon the High Commissioner the sole power of decision in all matters relating to the management of local affairs, the Council being left with a consultative duty only, except in the making of roads and the establishment of hospitals. The Arabs seem to be at a loss to understand the reasons which prompted the British, who hold a mandate in Palestine, to adopt this attitude, which they regard as humiliating. "Do we not belong to 'Mandate A,'" they asked, "and are we not authorized under Article 22 of the League of Nations to consider ourselves as independent, with British advisors and experts to act only as our guides?"

There is reason to believe that while Sir Herbert Samuel is in London he will endeavor to bring about an understanding between the Arab representatives now in that city and Dr. Chaiym Weizmann, President of the World's Zionist Organization, in the matter of co-operation between Arabs and Jews in the upbuilding of Palestine.

FEARS ANTI-JEWISH OUTBREAK IN EUROPE

British Writer Says Red Leaders' Crimes May Be Avenged Upon Hebrews.

May 26th, 1922

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, May 26.—The possibilities of a great anti-Jewish outbreak in Europe were never greater than now, says a Paris dispatch to The Westminster Gazette.

"Much play has been made in England and France," says the correspondent, "with the fact that the leaders of Bolshevism belong to the Semitic race. In certain other countries the words 'Bolsheviist' and 'Jew' have become almost interchangeable, and a keen American observer who has just returned from Russia is afraid above all that if Kolchak or any other military opponent of the Bolsheviki triumphed there would be such a slaughter of Jews as we have not yet seen. It must not be forgotten that at least two of the principal counselors of the Quai d'Orsay on Polish and Russian affairs are notorious anti-Semites. The strange silence which has been preserved in the press upon the pogroms which have already taken place is highly significant."

The correspondent quotes a provocative appeal from a Rumanian General to his troops, in which the statement was made:

"The Jews have introduced terror and disorder and destroyed the Russian Army and assassinated the Russian Czar by the intermediary of their agitators—Lenin, Trotzky, Kerensky, and other Jewish chiefs. Hear, brother Christians! Rise like one man, and before the blood-stained Redeemer wash the Holy Cross with the innocent tears of widows and orphans! Victorious Christians, pray to God, and cleanse the Cross profaned by Judas when the enemies sneaked like wolves into the heart of Bessarabia! Christian Rumanian troops precipitated into the Dniester all their enemies. His Majesty, Emperor Ferdinand I., when he learned these things, sent at once his army to defend the population and annihilate the enemy, who had the intention of destroying the peaceful population."

The correspondent further says that when the question of founding a Jewish State was active before the Paris Conference, some of the strongest supporters of the Zionists were the violent anti-Semites, and that the reason for this apparent paradox was that the Russians, Poles Ukrainians, Rumanians, Czechoslovaks, and others who have a Jewish population in their country, and who dislike that population, are only too anxious to get rid of the members of the race. If Palestine becomes the home of the Jews, he says, it is obvious that the Jew in European countries will be a foreigner. He argues that the founding of a Zionist nation means that the Polish Jew will be no longer a Pole, but simply a Jew. He will be expected to go to Palestine, and if he does not he may suffer deprivation of his rights in the lands in which he elects to live. The consequences, says The Gazette writer, can be easily imagined. So far from the status of the Jew being improved, it will be rendered intolerable.

Women making clay jars in Ramallah, Palestine in 1905 using local materials and methods developed centuries ago. The primary ingredients were clay and sand or shale. The clay was generally dug from the shore but could also be found under bodies of water. The clay was usually screened to remove rocks and debris and the clay and sand or shale were ground into powder by some manner of crushing and then used or stored for later use. Here, before the invention of modern tecnology, clay pots are fashioned entirely by hand.

PALESTINE CRISIS BELIEVED NEAR

Arabs Show Increasing Anger Over the Mandate and Zionist Program.

September 1st, 1922

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Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

CAIRO, Sept. 1.—Increasingly serious messages this week from Jerusalem indicate that Palestine's most critical period is at hand. Announcement of the League of Nations ratification of the British mandate over Palestine, coupled with the British Government's refusal to modify the Balfour declaration has inevitably inflamed the Arabs, who, being an impulsive race, were restrained with the greatest difficulty from disorder on the return of the Arab delegation.

Since the return of the delegation from Russia culminating in emotional scenes, the conclusion of the Arab Congress at Nablus and the triumphal entry of the delegation into Jerusalem, the cheers and shouts have subsided. They are replaced by sullen resentment, with little darts of flame shooting up, particularly at Hanna, Jaffa and Ludd, whence raids and attacks on Jewish communities or families are now reported with tales of murders and assaults on individual Jews.

The situation is so delicate that the Palestine Government hesitates to precipitate a test of its authority.

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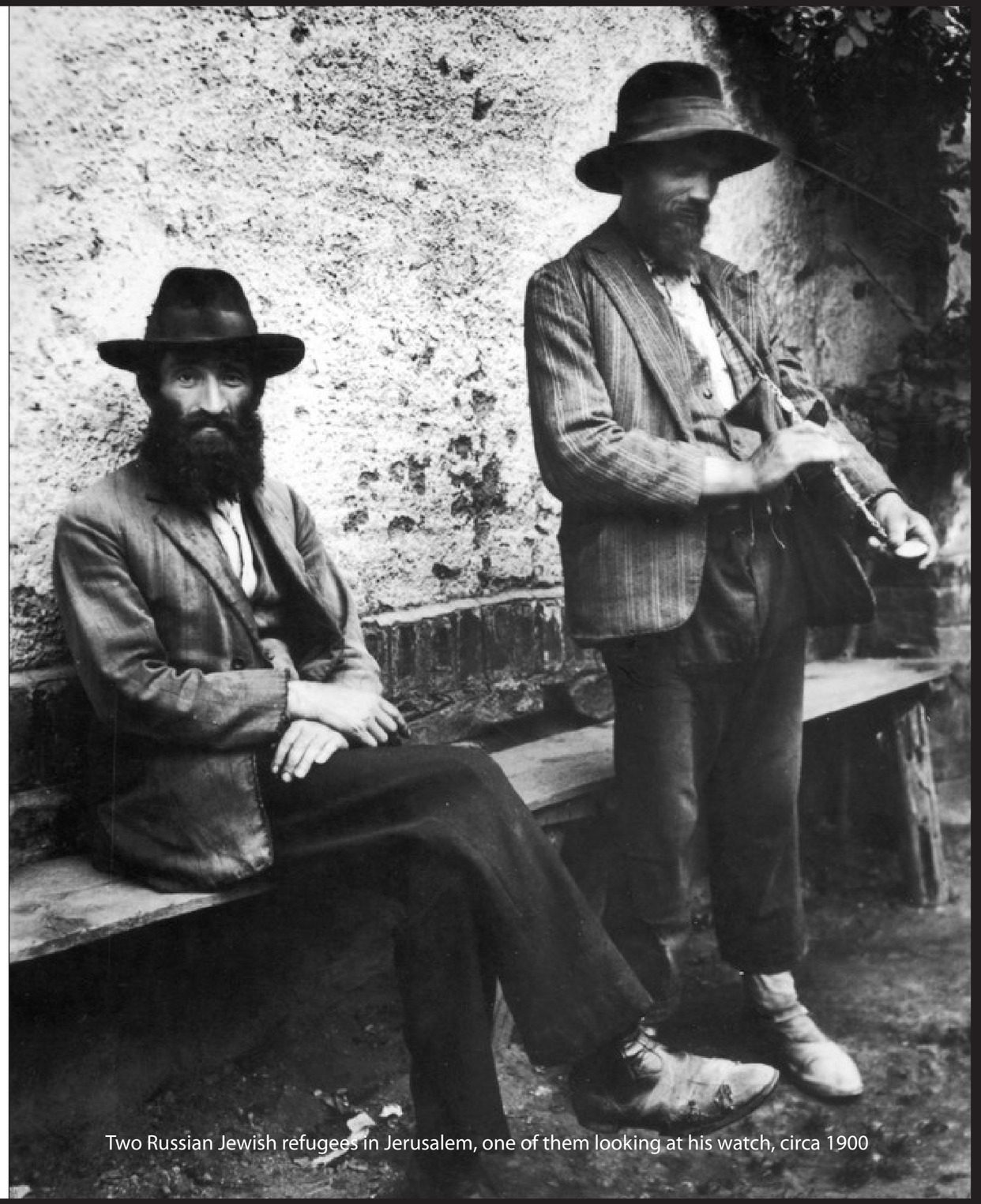
CARLSBAD, Sept. 2 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).—"The Arab terror will not deter the Jewish people from building their homeland." Dr. Weizmann, President of the Zionist World Organization, declared in his speech concluding the annual conference of that body today.

Dr. Weizmann's statement was made in reply to an urgent cable received from the Jewish National Council in Palestine depicting the serious situation in Palestine. A menacing wave of anti-Jewish propaganda is sweeping over Palestine, according to this cable, following upon the deliberations of the Arab congress at Nablus.

"We Jews," continued Dr. Weizmann, "are not going to Palestine to exterminate or expel the Arabs. We have repeatedly offered them our hand in brotherhood for common work in order to rebuild this country, which for hundreds of years past has been a devastated area. We regret that our Arab brethren allow themselves to be induced by unscrupulous agitators to impede the work which would have benefited them as much as ourselves."

The conference adopted a resolution that a commission of three should reorganize all Zionist institutions. The conference also instructed the executive committee to convoke a world congress of all Jews interested in the upbuilding of Palestine.



Two Russian Jewish refugees in Jerusalem, one of them looking at his watch, circa 1900

"Jewish policeman, Hinkas ... is accused of leading a crowd of Jews murdering five adults and wounding two children in an Arab family on August 25th ..."

POLICEMAN ON TRIAL IN PALESTINE RIOTS

Accused of Leading Jews Into Arab House in Tel Aviv, Killing Five Occupants.

CHIEF BELIEVES HIM GUILTY

Analyst Indicates Cartridge Case Found Was Defendant's—Arabs Uncertain in Identification.

January 30th, 1930

By JOSEPH M. LEVY.

Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES

JAFFA, Jan. 30.—All Tel Aviv is aroused over the trial before Judges Corrie and Copeland of the Jewish policeman Hinkas, accused of leading a crowd of Jews murdering five adults and wounding two children in an Arab family on last Aug. 25.

Hinkas, posted at a crossroad on Herzl Steet, the danger point of the Jaffa-Tel Aviv riots that day, saw a truck filled with Jews fired on by Arabs, who killed four Jews and wounded five. It was charged that Hinkas then went to the barracks, got a rifle and led the Jewish crowd into an Arab house.

Alfred Riggs, assistant superintendent of the police, testified that he called at the house where the deaths occurred and found a bullet tip in the wall and a bloody cartridge case on the ground.

"I formed my own opinion," he said. "Days later relatives of the dead Arabs said the policeman was among the killers."

Mr. Riggs declared that Hinkas was one of the mildest and best of the police, but seemed certain he was guilty.

Hinkas admitted that he fired nine rounds on duty that day and returned six empties to Riggs. His rifle and cartridges were examined by the government's analyst, Mr. Baker, who also examined the bullet piece which Dr. Dajani, head physician of the government hospital at Jaffa, testified he found in the body of a dead Arab.

Mr. Baker chemically tested and photographed the bullets and cartridges and then concluded that the bullets were from the government type of police rifles, but not necessarily from Hinkas's rifle, and that the cartridge case had large schatches identical to those on the other empties from Hinkas's rifle.

Police Lieutenant Sidney Atkins testified that he had passed the death scene in armored cars thrice that day, had seen a dead Jew in a truck, but no Jews shooting, and a day later had conducted the identification in the Hinkas case. Two Arab neighbors, though one was not positive, picked Hinkas from among thirteen constables, but other Arabs picked others. Mordeaci Eliash, attorney for the defense, made a strong point of the weak identification.

The chief witness for the prosecution, Mr. Baker, was still on the stand at adjournment, and the case will continue tomorrow.

POLICEMAN IN JAFFA FACED BY ACCUSERS

Superior Officer and Arab Tell of Seeing Jewish Guard Near Murder Scene.

RIFLE EXPERT ON STAND

January 31st, 1930

Defense Contends His Testimony on Rifle Shell Scratches Fails to Show Any Guilt.

By JOSEPH M. LEVY.

Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JAFFA, Jan. 31.—The prosecution continued today to produce its strongest witnesses at the trial of the Jewish policeman, Hinkas, charged with leading a Jewish crowd which killed a family of Arabs in Jaffa on Aug. 25, 1929.

Mordecai Eliash, counsel for the defense, in cross-examining, failed to shake the expect testimony of the government analyst, Mr. Baker, who positively asserted that scratches on rifle shells found in the death room exactly corresponded to photographs showing the marks on the firing pin of Hinka's rifle.

Mr. Eliash challenged Mr. Baker's ability as an expert, and Mr. Baker admitted he had examined only twelve rifles. Mr. Eliash argued that rifle examination was not yet a positive science like that of fingerprints.

The prosecution did not produce an eyewitness, but succeeded in indentifying Hinkas as a hatless policeman seen waving his rifle at a cross roads near the scene of the tragedy. Lucius Smith, captain of the Jaffa police, who accused Hinkas, testified that he passed the cross roads where Hinkas was stationed at 5:30 in the afternoon and saw, waving a gun, a policeman whom he could not identify at first, but later recognized as Hinkas.

Mr. Shiff, the police inspector at Tel Aviv, also saw the hatless policeman. Mr. Shiff remained at the crossroads while Captain Smith went to get reinforcements against the Arabs sniping from orange groves.

Mr. Shiff testified that Captain Smith returned in seven minutes, during which time the gun-waving policeman was there.

Meyer Levy, orderly for Captain Smith, testified that he also saw the policeman.

Mr. Eliash contended that all this merely proved that Hinkas was on duty where he was stationed. Incidentally he proved through Captain Smith that Hinkas already had submitted his resignation from the police force to return to his homeland, effective on Sept. 12.

The prosecution produced an Arab laborer from Jaffa who said he passed the place, hid in a ditch to escape bullets and saw a Jewish crowd led by Hinkas break in the door and enter the house. He then heard shots in the house. On cross-examination the witness contradicted himself on details. Mr. Eliash called his entire testimony a fabrication.

The case was adjourned until Tuesday.

An Israeli soldier as an occupying military force, armed with a rifle, stops an innocent Arab family in a street in Nazareth, Palestine, on July 17th, 1948, while the Zionists were working feverishly to establish their state of Israel, a thorn on the global map. What's absolutely preposterous is that these Palestinians are walking unarmed in a neighborhood they've lived in for decades and whose family has occupied for centuries. The family is travelling after the allotted curfew time, which, from the shadows we can tell is no later than 3 or 4 o'clock. Israeli forces had occupied the town earlier that day and implemented an absurd curfew. Obviously frustrating and inconveniencing. And what did this family do to endure a forced curfew by an occupying military force? Absolutely nothing at all other than being Palestinian Muslims. Israeli racism having one of it's finest moments, sociopathic behavior notwithstanding.

POLICEMAN TO DIE FOR JAFFA KILLING

Palestine Jury Finds Hinkas Guilty of Taking Lead in Murder of Arabs.

February 5th, 1930

JEWS ROUSED TO PROTEST

Co-religionists Call Verdict Unjust —Tel Aviv in Mourning— Posters Denounce It.

By JOSEPH M. LEVY.
Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JAFFA, Feb. 5. — After a half-hour's deliberation the death sentence was imposed today upon the Jewish Constable Hinkas, 22 years old, by a jury, which found him guilty of the premeditated murder of an Arab family in the August, 1929, riots. The prisoner heard the sentence pronounced by Judge Corrie, before whom, with Judge Copeland, the case was tried.

Jews in the crowded court room, waiting breathlessly, were shocked at the verdict, all of them having felt that there was insufficient evidence, as the prosecution had depended upon circumstantial evidence and an identification of the constable's rifle by arms experts.

Hinkas, who was the only defense witness except an expert on maps and locations, gave testimony this morning which, although not conflicting with that of the prosecution, contained some conflicts with earlier statements of his own, thus making him appear to be trying to hide his crime. He withstood two hours of grilling, insisting upon his innocence and attention to duty.

Mr. Eliash, counsel for the defense, in a two-hour speech attempted to show that the accusation came from a slow growth of fabrications, citing prosecution "eyewitnesses" who admittedly remembered only a fleeting glimpse of the policeman, without identifying him; also recalling that one of the eyewitnesses was a half-blind old man who, although hidden in a quarry, was able to make out the policeman.

Mr. Eliash asserted that the prosecution testimony corroborated the constable's alibi and the attorney lauded him for having stood his post at a crossroads under a torrent of bullets for two hours beating back Jewish crowds and returning the fire of Arabs from an orchard, while his two superior officers who appeared on the scene immediately withdrew for aid, being unable to cope with the situation, and an Arab policeman stationed with the accused also withdrew.

Not more than ten minutes after the verdict was pronounced, large crimson printed notices appeared, pasted on trees and signboards at Tel Aviv, where the accused lived and where a spirit of deep mourning now prevails. This is the only 100 per cent Jewish city in the world.

Meir Dizengoff, Mayor of Tel Aviv, said today:

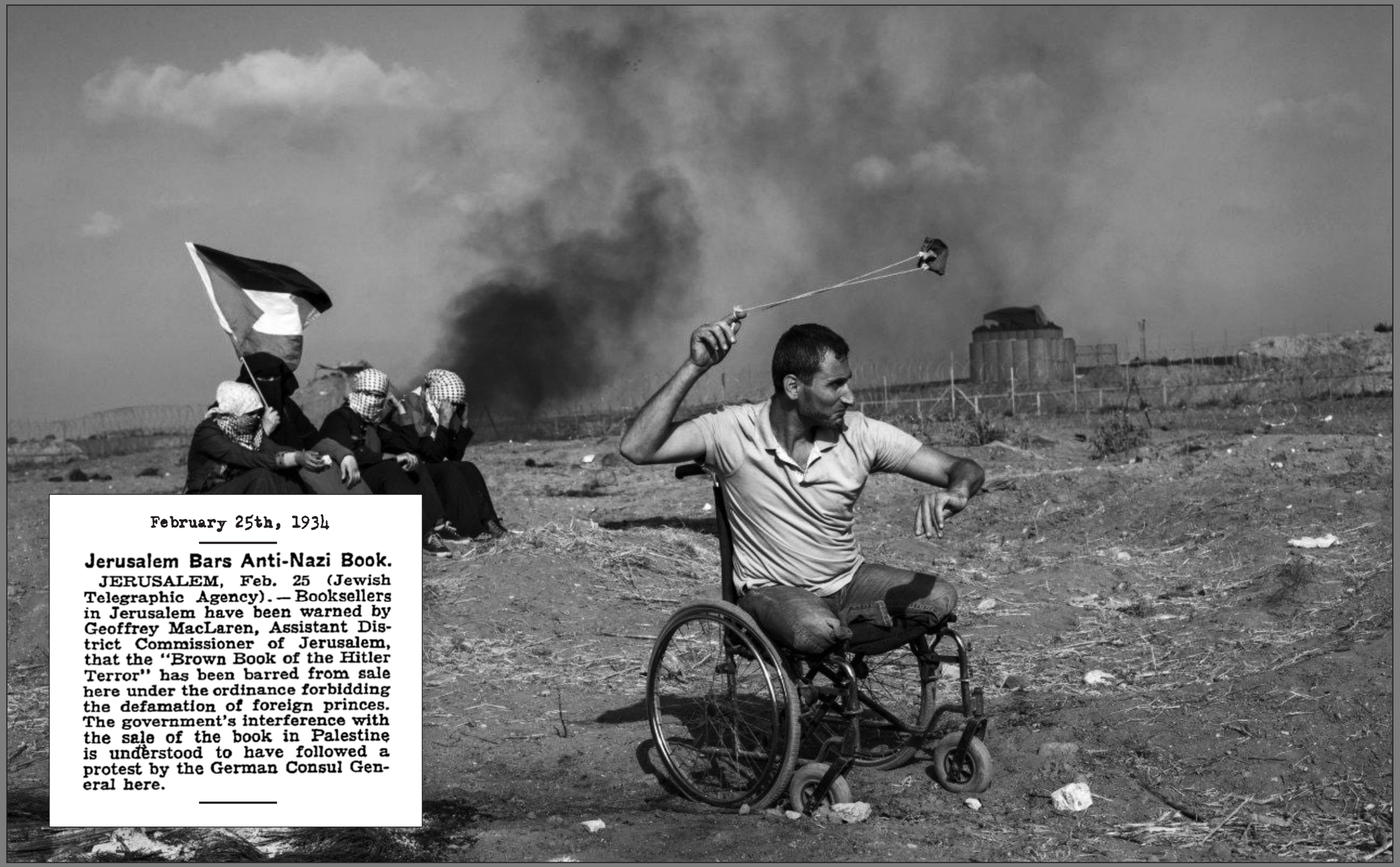
"When I contrast the death sentence imposed on this Jewish policeman with the acquittal of twelve Arabs accused of murdering seven Jews at Macleff House in Motzah, it makes me weep. What? Is this human justice?"

As the news spread, Jewish indignation rose to a high pitch. Resentment was shown in various forms, especially at Tel Aviv, where all movies and theatres were closed.

In Jerusalem, in the midst of a concert by a troupe of Russian singers and dancers, a Jewish youth in the audience arose and said in Hebrew that as a protest against the "unjust" verdict all Jews should leave and the concert be discontinued.

The youth's words were translated for the benefit of those who were not Jews, including many British high Government officials and foreign consuls as well as the performers. All of the Jews marched out, but the rest of the audience remained and the concert continued.

Here, two young women from Ramallah, Palestine pose circa 1900 and above, a barracks maintained for Russian pilgrims arriving in Jerusalem, Palestine, circa 1900



February 25th, 1934

Jerusalem Bars Anti-Nazi Book.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 25 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). — Booksellers in Jerusalem have been warned by Geoffrey MacLaren, Assistant District Commissioner of Jerusalem, that the "Brown Book of the Hitler Terror" has been barred from sale here under the ordinance forbidding the defamation of foreign princes. The government's interference with the sale of the book in Palestine is understood to have followed a protest by the German Consul General here.

The Zionist list of breaches of international law against the Palestinian people is near endless as are the attacks on a people with no army, air force or military of any kind

October 29th, 1936

314 Killed in Palestine; Total of Casualties 1,600

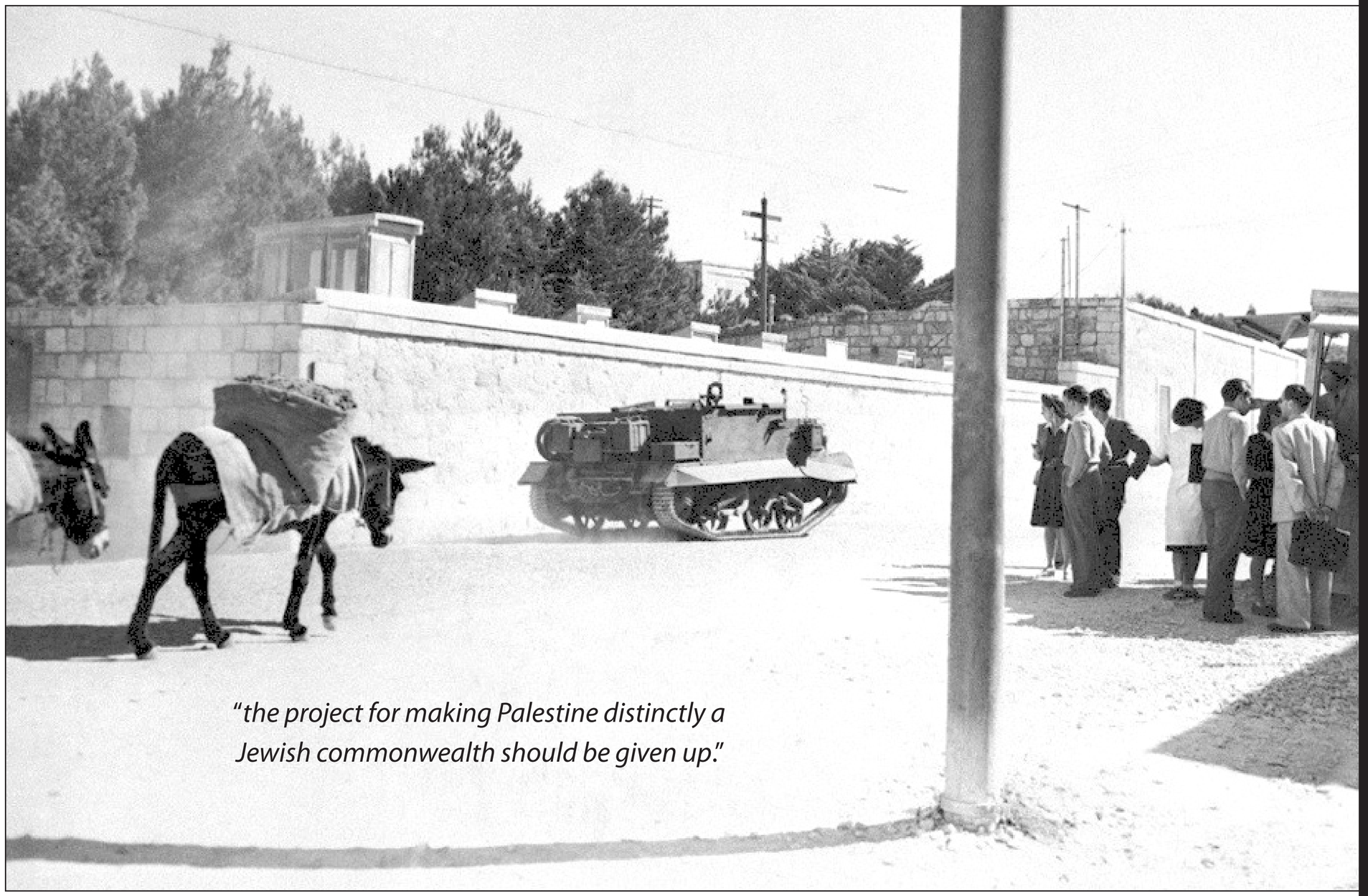
Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Oct. 29.—Palestine's six-month period of terrorism and a general strike exacted a heavy toll of life. Up to Oct. 15, shortly after the strike had been called off, there had been more than 1,600 casualties including 314 deaths.

The casualties for each element of the population were roughly in line with each element's proportion of the total population.

Out of a population on June 13 of 1,335,000, the Moslems, who numbered 848,000, suffered 955 casualties, including 187 deaths. The Jewish population of 370,000 had 388, of which 80 were deaths. The rest were divided among the Christians, the armed forces and the police.

Announcing these figures in the House of Commons tonight, W. G. A. Ormsby-Gore, Colonial Secretary, said arrangements had now been made for the Royal Commission to leave Britain for Palestine at the end of next week.



"the project for making Palestine distinctly a Jewish commonwealth should be given up."

BRITISH CONSTABLE AND SIX ARABS SLAIN

Rebels Trapped by the Palestine Police Had Made Bombs

May 26th, 1938

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, May 26.—One British constable and six Arab rebels lost their lives today in a combat between police and rebels.

Early in the afternoon a mine was found near the Jewish colony of Herzlia. The police began searching and found seven armed Arabs, who fled and sought refuge in a ruined house near an orange grove. The police followed and a battle ensued in which the constable was shot dead by the rebels, while the police wounded all seven of the rebels, six of whom have died. Among the rebels were two Syrians.

According to usually reliable sources, the seven were manufacturers of homemade bombs, mines and other ammunition, which they distributed among terrorists throughout the country.

The Jewish community of Palestine has received the news of the outrages perpetrated in Jerusalem and Haifa Tuesday and yesterday with grave concern. The police have no doubt that Jews were responsible for these outrages, and there is little reason to refute semi-official statements to this effect.

Jewish leaders have made spontaneous appeals to the Jewish communities in Jerusalem and Haifa calling on them to assist the authorities in restoring order.

The police are well aware that the Jews as a whole oppose terrorism despite two years of provocation. They blame an extremist group within the Revisionist organization allegedly advocating terror for terror, and consequently they have rearrested most of those youthful extremists, who only a few weeks ago finished serving sentences in Acre prison.

Machine Guns on Trucks

JERUSALEM, July 15 (AP).—Truckloads of British troops manning machine guns streamed through the twisting streets of ancient Jerusalem tonight to forestall possible new disorders arising from the explosion of a bomb in a crowded bazaar.

Casualties since July 5 have totaled at least 372. Of these, twenty-nine Jews and sixty-six Arabs were killed, and 176 Arabs and 101 Jews were wounded.

The police closed all gates of the old city after the market place explosion. Soldiers with fixed bayonets forestalled a threatened riot among Arabs who had come to the city for Friday morning prayers in a near-by mosque.

In addition, there have been numerous casualties in fights between troops and roving bands in hills outside villages.

The police discovered a high-explosive time bomb near Hadassah Hospital, in the center of Jerusalem; today two hours before it was set to go off. A large store of explosives, arms and ammunition also was found near the Mosque of Omar in a rapid series of raids.

Haifa, northern trouble spot, was tense, but no new disturbances were reported. American Jewish settlers in the village of Ain Hasophet, south of Haifa, last night repulsed repeated attacks by an armed band. More than 500 shots were exchanged and the attackers advanced close to the village stockades before retiring.

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Psychological operations by the Zionist government include less frequent garbage pickup in Palestinian neighborhoods, among other dreadful policies, seen above in 2017-2018.

June 21st, 1938

Cities Quiet But Tense

JERUSALEM, June 21 (U.P.)—Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa, focal points of the clashes between the Jews and the British which took a toll of twenty-three lives in four days, were quiet but tense today. House-to-house hunts had halted, but troops traveled in pairs carrying tommy guns.

Zvi Fixler, 21-year-old Hebrew university student, was sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment by a Jerusalem military court today for mining a bridge between Tel Aviv and Haifa and possessing arms and ammunition.

Hagana, the Jewish fighting force with an estimated 64,000 active members, has set a time limit —the exact length was not revealed—in which the five British officers must be returned unharmed before the underground army "resorts to necessary measures."

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Jerusalem, Palestine's main street intersection called Zion Square, on November 28th, 1945

PALESTINE TENSE ON HANGING TODAY

British Reject Clemency Pleas for Jewish Youth Who Fired on Arab-Owned Bus

OFFER OF DEAL REPORTED

June 28th, 1938

Revisionists Said to Bar It by Insisting on Reprisal Policy —Demonstrators Routed

By JOSEPH M. LEVY

Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, June 28.—Solomon ben Yosef, a Jewish youth, is to be hanged tomorrow for having fired at an Arab-owned bus although he caused no casualties. Commutation of the sentence was refused by the British authorities today.

All morning futile attempts were made to get a new trial on the ground that important new evidence had been found. A plea for staying the execution until an appeal had been made to the Privy Council was also rejected because no civil court can change the decision of a court-martial.

A faint hope cherished by some Jews was the fact that Rosh Hodesh (the first day of the Jewish month), which falls tomorrow, may prevent a rabbi from going to Acre Prison to offer last ministrations,

Young Arab recruits and volunteers from the British army are now undergoing intensive training at the Palestine Police Barracks in Jerusalem to combat extremist Zionist terrorism. An important part of the training for the young Arabs is with small arms and for these young Arab volunteers, specialized instruction in the types of weapons used by the Terrorists is essential. This group of smartly dressed Arab members of the Palestine police force are seen in the courtyard of their barracks in Jerusalem on November 15th, 1945, which was formerly the palatial residence of a wealthy Jerusalem Palestinian kind enough to donate the property for their use.

46 KILLED BY BOMB IN MARKET AT HAIFA

Riots and Arson Follow Blast —Arabs and Jews Each Blame the Other for Outrage

July 25th, 1938

By JOSEPH M. LEVY

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, July 25.—Fifty-three persons were killed and fifty-eight wounded in Palestine today as Haifa experienced the most serious episode of the present terroristic campaign.

At 7 o'clock this morning a bomb was exploded at the entrance of the Arab market in the heart of Haifa. The blast was heard ten miles away. Forty-five Arabs and one Jew were killed.

This apparently gave impetus to widespread rioting throughout the city, and in its course three more Jews and one Arab were killed and scores were injured on both sides.

The origin of the bomb, which was buried in the ground, is still obscure. It was planted only ten yards from the place where a bomb took twenty lives three weeks ago.

Police and military forces immediately encircled the entire area, attempting to calm the panic-stricken crowd as the victims were carried off to near-by hospitals. A call also went out to Jaffa for additional nurses and medical aid.

Soon after the news of the outrage spread to other parts of the city Arabs attempted a mass attack on the Jewish quarter of Haifa, but were driven off by British troops. Within the next hour hundreds of Jewish pedestrians were stoned in various parts of the city, resulting in three deaths. Ten persons were dangerously wounded. Another Jew walking in the Arab quarter was shot dead.

Rioters set fire to many Jewish-owned houses and the fire brigades spent most of the morning attempting to extinguish these fires.

At 8:45 A. M. a curfew was imposed for the rest of the day on the eastern quarter of Haifa and later in the day it was announced that the curfew applied to the entire city from 7 P. M. During most of the day, however, all the streets were completely evacuated except for police and troops.

Arab shops throughout Palestine are now closed in protest against outrages.

Police are at a loss for clues to trace today's culprits.

In addition to the Haifa incident, lives were taken today in the Jewish colonies. This morning a group of Jewish laborers in a Tiberias quarry were fired on and one died instantly, while another was seriously injured.

A land mine explosion near the colony of Ein Vered killed a Jewish farmer, and in the colony of Kfar Hahoresh, which has already suffered heavily at the hands of terrorists, another Jewish supernumerary was killed by a band of twenty-five Arabs while on guard in the fields.

Investigation Called For

The Hebrew press this evening calls for a complete and ruthless investigation of the Haifa bombing, demanding that the guilty parties, whether Jew or Arab, be brought to justice.

While the Arabs unanimously attribute the crime to the Jews, with good reason for doing so, the latter continue to contend that all so-called retaliation measures are actually the work of a foreign power attempting to stir up trouble in Palestine.

The events of the past month induce the belief that a small group of Jewish Revisionists attempted to take the law into their own hands. If this is the case, these extremists by no means have the support of the Jewish population of the country.

Some Jewish circles go so far as to say that the terrorists of the exiled Mufti of Jerusalem are the guilty parties since they have proved on many occasions that they would disregard the lives of their own brethren to gain their ends. The end in this case is presumed to be solidarity among the Arab masses against the Jews.

Al Falastin, the leading Arabic daily in Palestine, was suspended for seven days today by the government following the publication of a strongly worded editorial criticising the British authorities for their "brutal" methods in attempting to stamp out terrorism in the Arab villages.

Late this evening telephone communication with neighboring countries was cut off.

Today's outrage in Haifa has raised the gravest forebodings as to future Arab-Jewish relationships.

Council Accuses Arabs

JERUSALEM, July 25 (AP).—The National Council of Palestine Jews, the highest internal Jewish body in Palestine, issued tonight, a proclamation accusing Arabs of responsibility for the Haifa outrages "in order to bring about civil war."

Shuttered Haifa tonight presented a desolate picture, its streets echoing only to the tramp of armed military patrols. A few families who evacuated the blazing buildings with little piles of household goods found refuge for the night in buildings provided by authorities.

Commerce was paralyzed. Shipping was diverted from Haifa to Jaffa and Tel Aviv.

A party of eighty American tourists who arrived in Jerusalem from Egypt had part of their tour canceled. Closely guarded, they toured Bethlehem and the old city of Jerusalem, but tours to Nazareth and Tiberias, on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias [Lake of Galilee], were canceled. Tomorrow they are leaving for Jaffa, where their ship is awaiting them.

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Another Zionist terror bombing, 1946

but it is doubtful that the authorities would accept such a reason.

Jewish women from all parts of Palestine came to Jerusalem to march to Government House to petition for mercy, but the police prevented the demonstration and allowed them only to submit a memorandum, which went unheeded.

It was reliably reported that the authorities were ready to commute the death sentence on one condition —that all Jewish organizations, including extremist groups, publish an appeal against retaliation. It was reported that the Revisionists had refused. Dr. Isaac Herzog, Chief Rabbi of Palestine, cabled the Revisionist leader, Vladimir Jabotinsky, on the subject, but received no answer.

Pleas Made to London

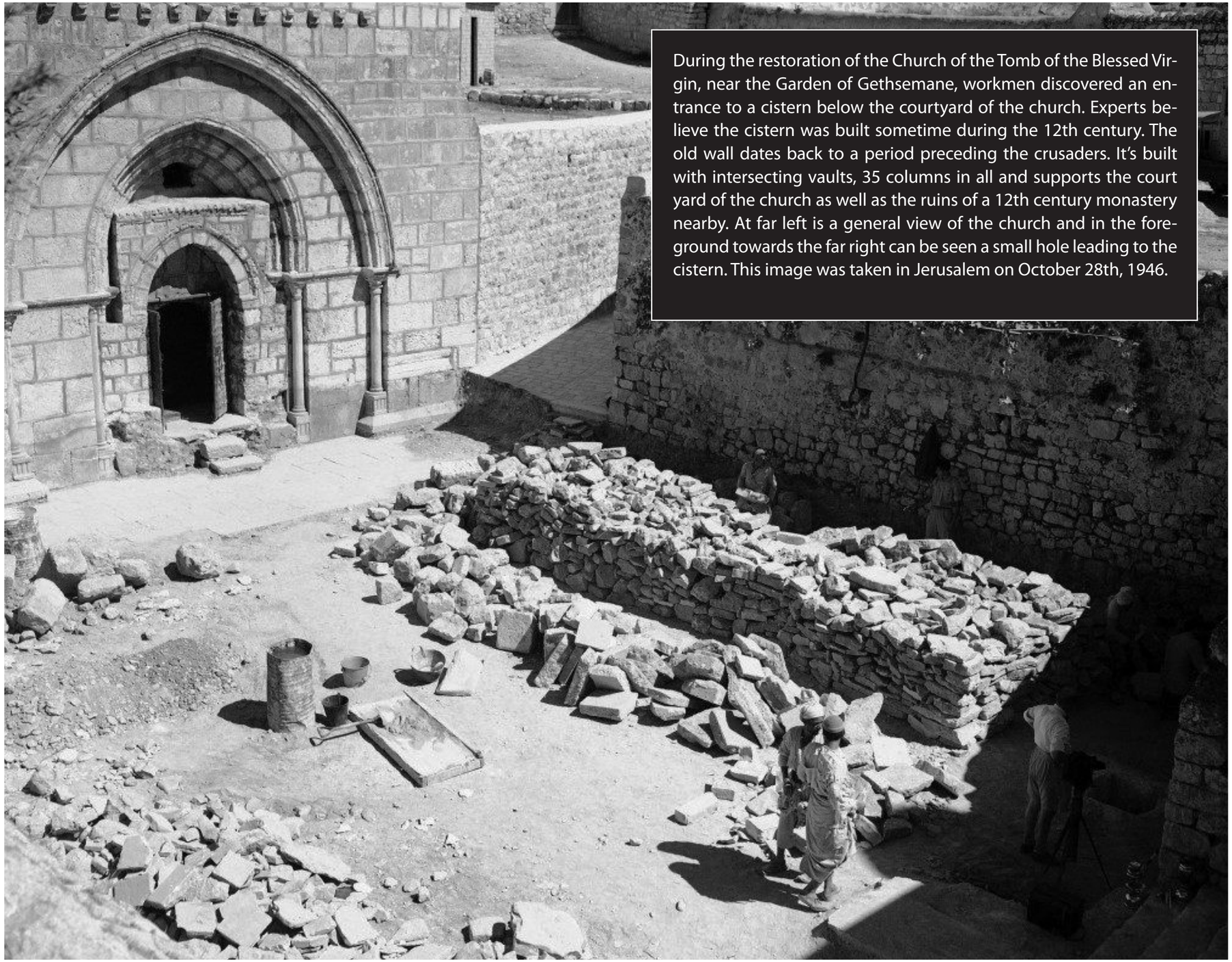
The Jewish community also awaited news from London, where the Colonial Office and Buckingham Palace were besieged by pleas from all parts of the world.

Meanwhile, tension was growing hourly. In synagogues throughout the country a day of mourning and fasting was observed. Shops were closed again late in the afternoon.

The situation was epitomized by a cautiously worded appeal to the British high command by Dr. Judah L. Magnes on behalf of Hebrew University. He declared:

"Clemency in this case would be a useful means of strengthening the policy of forbearance of Jewish youth, who adopted it from the very beginning."

A curfew was declared in Jerusalem, since Revisionist retaliation was expected. In Tel Aviv strong detachments of policemen were occupying strategic points, including housetops.



During the restoration of the Church of the Tomb of the Blessed Virgin, near the Garden of Gethsemane, workmen discovered an entrance to a cistern below the courtyard of the church. Experts believe the cistern was built sometime during the 12th century. The old wall dates back to a period preceding the crusaders. It's built with intersecting vaults, 35 columns in all and supports the court yard of the church as well as the ruins of a 12th century monastery nearby. At far left is a general view of the church and in the foreground towards the far right can be seen a small hole leading to the cistern. This image was taken in Jerusalem on October 28th, 1946.

The Jerusalem headquarters of the Jewish Agency, which the Revisionists have accused of a lukewarm attitude in this case, was virtually transformed into a fortress. Leaders were accompanied by special guards, and no unauthorized persons were allowed on the premises. Automobiles approaching the premises were searched.

Such tension among the Jews of Palestine has hitherto been unknown, and the government previously has never had to take such precautions to prevent Jews from shedding one another's blood.

Police Rout Demonstrators

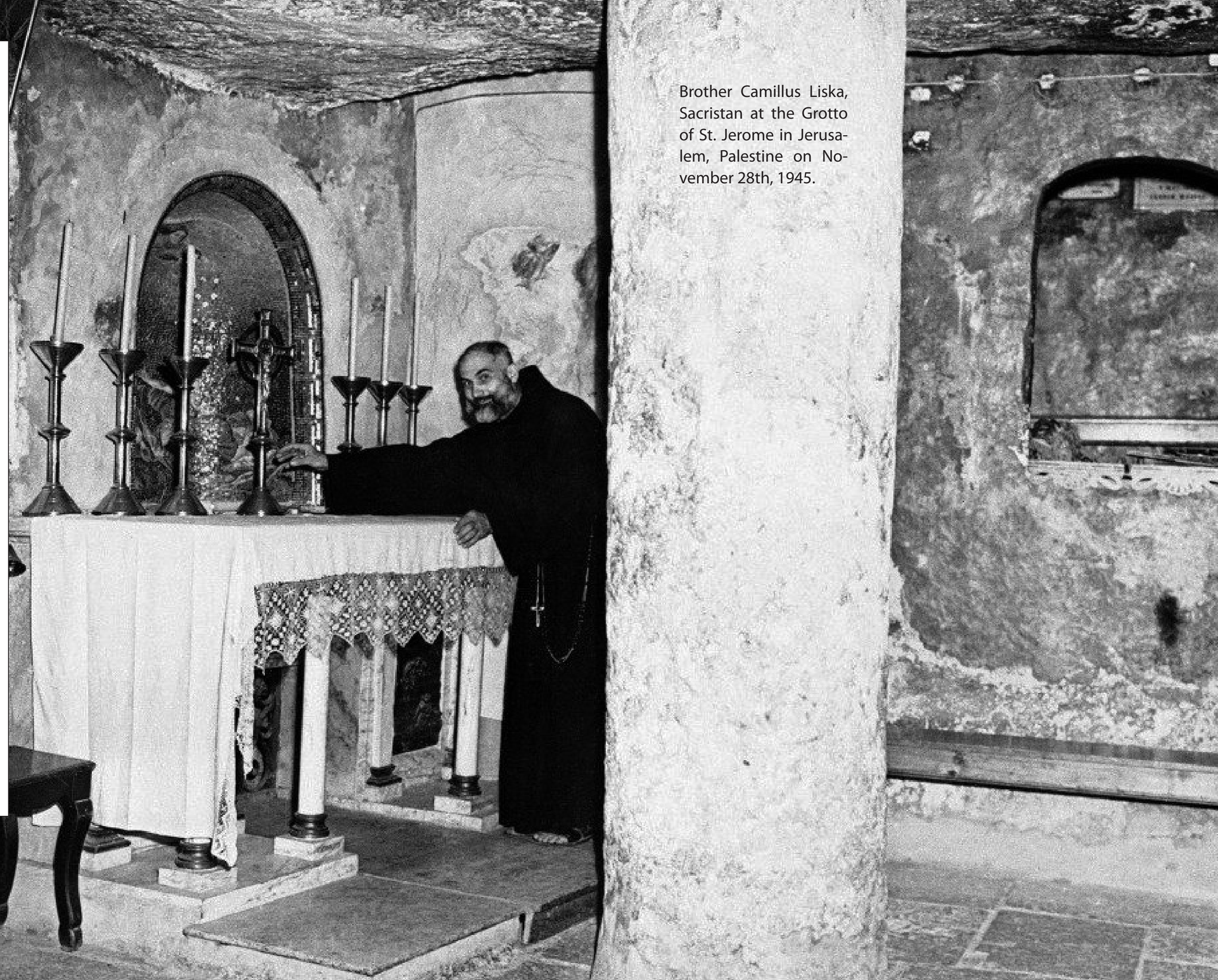
JERUSALEM, June 28 (AP).—Steel-helmeted policemen wielding clubs broke up demonstrations in Jerusalem streets tonight against the scheduled hanging tomorrow of Solomon ben Yosef, the first Jew to be executed in Palestine since Britain's World War occupation.

A British constable and three Jews, one a woman, were injured slightly by stones hurled during the disturbances.

Vienna Limits Curb on Jews

Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

VIENNA, June 28.—Officials denied today that firms owned by Jews had been instructed by the government to release their Jewish employes. They said that if such orders were issued they emanated from unauthorized persons. It was admitted that "Aryan" firms must discharge Jewish employes.



Brother Camillus Liska, Sacristan at the Grotto of St. Jerome in Jerusalem, Palestine on November 28th, 1945.

28 ARABS KILLED BY 2 EXPLOSIONS

Bombs Blow Up in Market Areas of Jerusalem and in Haifa at Same Time

MINE ON RAILWAY FAILS

Meetings Are Held to Protest British Plan for Minority Status of Jews

February 27th, 1939

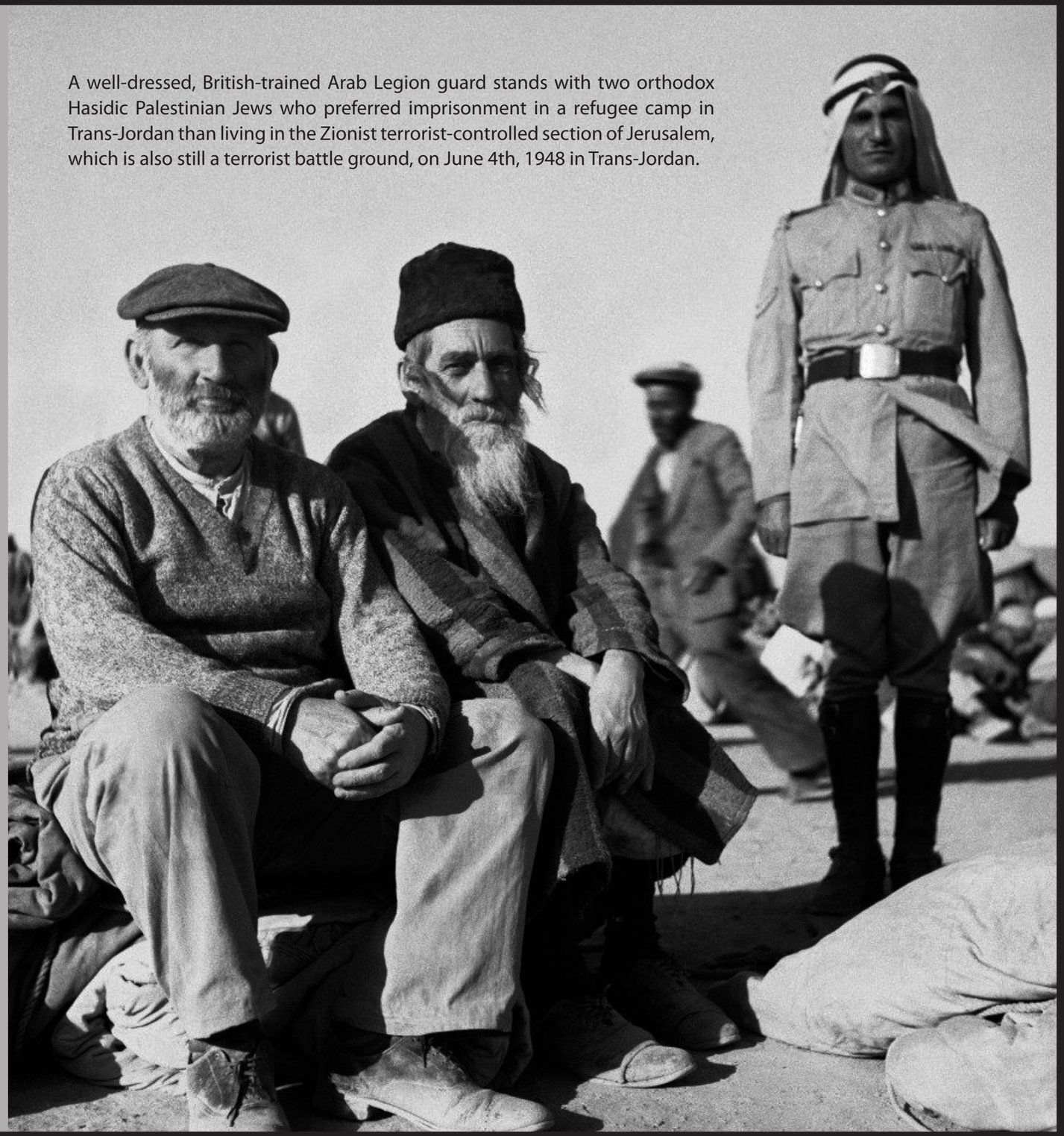
By JOSEPH M. LEVY

Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 27. — Thirty-one Arabs and one Jew were killed and fifty persons were wounded in a series of explosions and shootings throughout Palestine today. Most of the incidents occurred in the early morning within a little more than an hour.

The most serious was at Haifa, where twenty-four Arabs were killed and thirty-seven wounded when a time bomb exploded in the vegetable market. Two Jewish constables were wounded in Haifa.

"Political terrorist activity has been showing a marked recrudescence... in the mistaken impression that it would bring about pressure on British authorities... in favor of extremist nationalist Jewish demands"



A well-dressed, British-trained Arab Legion guard stands with two orthodox Hasidic Palestinian Jews who preferred imprisonment in a refugee camp in Trans-Jordan than living in the Zionist terrorist-controlled section of Jerusalem, which is also still a terrorist battle ground, on June 4th, 1948 in Trans-Jordan.

Another bomb, believed to have been deposited in a vegetable basket, exploded in the vegetable market of the Old City of Jerusalem, killing four Arabs and wounding five. In the Mahneh Yehuda quarter of Jerusalem an Arab was shot dead by Jews.

A Jew fired at an Arab-owned bus and truck in Jerusalem, but there were no casualties.

At the Jaffa-Tel Aviv boundary three Arabs were killed by Jews. A land mine exploded on the railway line just after a train carrying Arabs passed through Tel Aviv on the way to Jaffa. There were no casualties. Near Jaffa a land mine killed one Arab and wounded four.

A Jew was shot and killed in Jerusalem.

The Haifa curfew, which had been imposed Sunday on all Arab quarters as a result of the killing of three Jews by Arabs, was extended today to all the city from 8:30 A. M. to 6 A. M. tomorrow excepting two hours in the afternoon when the population was allowed to purchase food and other necessaries.

June 2nd, 1939

12 Die as Palestine Terror Rages; Bomb Kills 5 Arabs in Jerusalem

Four Britons and Three Jews Slain on Patrol —Explosions Wreck 1,700 Telephone Lines—Village Escapes Massacre

By JOSEPH M. LEVY
Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, June 2.—Terrorism was again rampant in Palestine today claiming Arabs, Jews and Britons for victims. A patrol of four British soldiers and three Jew-

One of the largest Jewish cemeteries in the world, situated on the slopes of the Mount of Olives, part of the hills of Bethlehem in Jerusalem, Palestine, on January 19th, 1939. It adjoins the famous Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus Christ was said to have been betrayed by Judas with a kiss. Tens of thousands of Jews, many of them victims of the present day Zionist terrorist actions taking place in the holy land (1868-1948), are buried in this hallowed spot.

ish supernumerary policemen was wiped out by an Arab gang that lay in ambush between Tul Karm and Kalkilieh in the Sharon Valley.

The soldiers and supernumeraries were patroling a railway line on a truck when a volley of bullets from dense foliage hit them at close range killing them all instantly. The Arabs carried off the patrol's rifles and machine gun.

The air force was called out and located the attackers and signaled a large detachment of troops who pursued the gang and arrested five of them.

Sporadic outrages in Jerusalem since publication of the White Paper culminated today in a series of four bomb explosions in the vicinity of the Jaffa Gate which claimed the lives of five Arabs, including a police corporal, and injured nineteen others, one of them seriously. Seventeen hundred telephone lines were disabled in different parts of Jerusalem when time bombs placed in telephone cable manholes exploded severing the joints. The bomb outrages in Jerusalem are attributed to Jewish Revisionists who protest the White Paper.

Many highly placed Britons as well as leading Jews said today they never believed the Jews would sink to the level of Arab tactics of terrorism. Another important Jew who refuses to be quoted for fear of these Revisionist terrorists stated that this policy of the Revisionists, which has always been terror, violence and sabotage, only helps to increase the already bitter animosity of the Arabs and Jews making the life of both peoples in the country unbearable.

Palestinian women and children draw water from Mary's well in Nazareth, Palestine, on December 7th, 1946.
Legend relates that this ancient spring supplied water for Mary, Joseph and Jesus.

Ninety-eight per cent of the 1,700 telephones rendered useless this morning have Jewish subscribers, thus many of the central Jewish institutions, including hospitals, were deprived of essential and sometimes the most urgent communications.

Major Gen. R. W. O'Connor, Military Commander of Jerusalem, announced the suspension of three more Jewish omnibus services in the city as punishment for placing the bomb in the Jaffa Gate area this morning. Resumption of four other services suspended on Wednesday and scheduled for Sunday, is now deferred and the Jews warned that resumption of the services is dependent upon the outrages ceasing. In any case the services are suspended until June 7. The National Council of Palestine Jewry this afternoon issued a statement expressing horror at the recent outrages perpetrated in Jerusalem.

A whole Arab village was saved in the early hours of this morning by a party of Jewish supernumerary policemen who came to the aid of an Arab Druse village called Daliat el Carmel, outside Haifa. The village was attacked by a band of Arab brigands, who killed one and wounded four of the Druse villagers. The Jewish rescue party repulsed the gang, averting a probable massacre. Later in the morning a deputation of Druse elders came to the nearest police station in order to thank personally the Jewish policemen for their brave assistance.

Banning Women From Praying With A Torah Scroll

In 1967 when Israel took over part of Jerusalem, the government gave the control of the Wailing Wall—also known as the Western Wall—to ultra-orthodox rabbis who run the area according to their interpretation of Jewish law and traditions. One of these norms includes banning women from praying with a Torah scroll, the centerpiece of Jewish religious tradition. This is similar in nature to the custom of disallowing women to drive cars in Saudi Arabia. "*Women of the Wall*" smuggled an 11-inch Torah scroll brought from England to pray at the wall. The group also conducted a Mat Mitzvah, or Jewish coming of age ritual for girls that is also banned at the wall, for a 12-year–old Jewish youth. "*There is no reason this should not go on every day. It didn't bother anyone and meant a lot to Tammy and her family*," officials of "*Women of the Wall*" said. Officials from the Wailing Wall rabbinical authority did not make themselves available for comment.

Members of the Israeli organization "*Women of the Wall*", below, succeeded for the first time in smuggling a Torah scroll to the Western Wall in 2014. "*Women of the Wall*" has been repeatedly refused permission to use one of the Torah scrolls that are made available in the men's section. After being turned away with a full sized scroll for decades the women succeeded in smuggling in a miniature 200-year-old version of the Jewish Torah to the Wailing Wall. Shira Spure, a member of "*Women of the Wall*" said that "*The rabbinical authority doesn't want us there, they only want people who practice ultra-religious traditions to pray at the Wailing Wall, this is ridiculous*." Religious fanaticism permeates every religion, Judaism no less than Islam. The word "*religion*" is used interchangeably with the words "*faith*" or "*belief system*" and there are over 4200 religious beliefs on this small planet. The majority contain practices and customs that might offend or disturb many of us yet they continue to thrive. Offensive practices based on religious faith seem to have become the norm in many cases.

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JERUSALEM HOMES OF JEWS SEARCHED

Military and Police Hunt for Firearms and Clues to the Latest Outrages

June 11th, 1939

Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, June 11.—The Holy City today was the scene of unprecedented activity by the military as a result of new outrages. Following the bomb explosion last night in the Jerusalem general postoffice, which wounded several policemen and destroyed some letter boxes, a British constable was killed today when the parcel he was examining exploded in his hands.

Seven Arabs and one Jewish postal employe were slightly injured. An unexploded bomb was found in the postoffice garage. All business in the Jerusalem postoffice was suspended excepting the telegraph and cable service until further notice.

There was feverish military and police activity in the older and more densely populated Jewish quarters as officials searched for firearms and clues to the latest outrages. Nearly 1,000 soldiers participated. Shortly after last midnight the quarters were cordoned off and no one was allowed to leave or enter. Two Jews were arrested. All passengers arriving from Tel Aviv were searched.

After placing their barbed-wire entanglements the military took up positions on roof tops with machine guns. A seven-story house in the Geulah quarter was the headquarters, with radio communication, for the whole vicinity. At 4 A. M. the searches got under way from house to house. Shops in this entire district, which is situated in western Jerusalem and which is inhabited by middle class and poorer Jews, many of whom are orthodox, were not allowed to open until 4 P. M., when the searches were terminated.

School children were allowed out, but their school bags were examined thoroughly. Thousands were not able to go to work because many establishments in the center of the town remained closed.

Other anti-Jewish punitive measures included the taking away of all machine guns previously granted for the defense of the Galilee district. Coming as it does in the midst the harvesting season, this makes the danger for colonists there extremely grave.

The Jewish Community Council of Jerusalem addressed a strongly worded protest to the British authorities for the punitive action against the Jews as a result of a murder near the Jewish quarter of Meashearim several days ago. The council contends that it has not yet been proved that the Jews perpetrated the murder, but even if proved true, it claims, it is unjust to punish thousands of innocent Jews for the act of some individual through the stoppage of traffic and the closing of shops.

The council warns the government that punitive measures against the Jewish population is an ineffective way to appease the country and will only result in the creation of a chasm between the Palestine Government and Palestine Jewry.

Early today while an elderly Jew and two sons were engraving tombstones in a Jewish cemetery on the Mount of Olives they were fired on by four Arabs. The sons returned the fire but the oldest son was killed. The other son was assailed by the Arabs, who snatched both revolvers, but he managed to jump into an open grave and was saved, while the father, working a short distance away, was not hit.

Abdul Raouf Bittar, chairman of the municipal council of Jaffa, was fired on there today, but he was not hit. His escorts returned the fire, killing one of the Arab assailants.

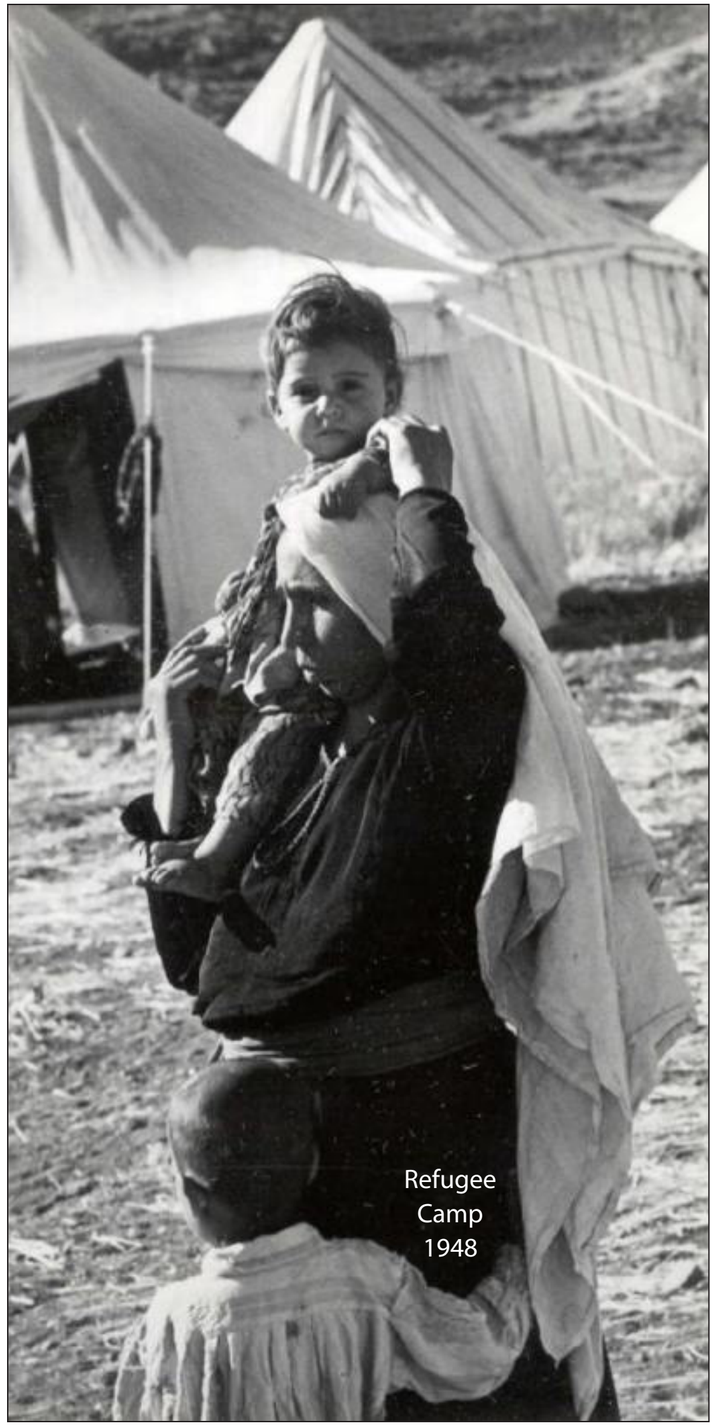
British Policy Attacked

GENEVA, June 11 (AP).—Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, sent a letter today to the Mandates Committee of the League of Nations attacking Britain's new policy on Palestine as "the triumph of force over moderation."

The committee is to examine the recent British report on the Holy Land this week.

"The White Paper of May, 1939, constitutes a complete upset of the entire policy underlying the mandates system and cannot justly be sanctioned by a League body called to pass judgment on it," Dr. Weizmann wrote.

"The Balfour declaration [Britain's pledge in 1917 to aid Jews in establishing a national home in Palestine] is the base of the mandate to Britain to rule Palestine and the White Paper simply reverses that declaration."



Refugee Camp 1948

"rights were awarded only to the strong,
who are allowed to take them by force
if they are not given to them legally."

~ Avraham Stern

January 27th, 1940

Tel Aviv Search Seen

JERUSALEM, Jan. 27 (U.P.)—Judge Windham's kidnapping caused the British Army to give up its search for Mr. Collins in Jerusalem and to concentrate on Tel Aviv. It was believed that all the city's 16,000 buildings would be searched and all 200,000 inhabitants would be questioned.

Mayor Rokach offered to "mediate" with the underground organization Irgun Zvai Leumi, bargaining Mr. Collins' return for the commutation of Gruner's sentence, but his offer was refused by the Government. Even before Judge Windham's abduction, General Cunningham had emphasized that he would not bargain for Mr. Collins' release.

Mayor Rokach will broadcast to his city later today a demand that Judge Windham and Mr. Collins be released immediately.

It was believed that General Cunningham's ultimatum might possibly stir the Zionist underground army Haganah into action against the Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern gang, which are held solely responsible for the most recent violence. It was pointed out that Jewish leaders and Haganah must decide within the next two days whether to challenge the dissidents or otherwise face the strictest military campaign ever seen in Palestine. Haganah is known to have a blueprint for drastic action against the Irgunists and Sternists, including the mass kidnapping of their leaders.

Six Policemen Slain in Palestine; Curfew and Death Penalty Invoked

March 30th, 1943

By JULIAN LOUIS MELTZER
By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, March 25—Jewish political terrorists belonging to a minority group struck Thursday night in a series of coordinated land-mine and shooting outrages that killed six British police officers and injured at least a dozen in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa.

Two British constables were assassinated on main thoroughfares in Tel Aviv. Another is in a critical condition. A high police officer was fatally wounded in a revolver combat with a number of terrorists whom he surprised as they climbed into the police headquarters building. Three British constables were killed when a bomb exploded with terrific effect at the

At left, a a Greek Priest is blessing Christian Arab children in Rameh, Palestine, in 1900. The community was settled by Er Rama and named after him. In the 1930 census taken by the British, Er Rama had 254 homes with a total self-sufficient population of 1,142, and growing. In this image, an Arab and his donkey pass a road block, manned by two British soldiers and a Palestinian policeman looking for Zionist terrorists, during a snowfall, near Jerusalem, Palestine, on March 22nd, 1948.

Criminal Investigation Department headquarters in the heart of Haifa.

Business men and shopkeepers going to their places of business in Jerusalem yesterday found windows and façades completely destroyed and displays of goods gone —the result of the tremendous charge of explosives placed outside police headquarters.

[The Associated Press put the number of deaths at nine.]

Measures recalling the civil disturbances in the Holy Land five years ago were retaken as the Palestine administration took swift action in the wake of the outbreak of violence.

A twelve-hour daily curfew beginning at 5 P. M. was imposed on the Jewish sections of Jerusalem, the municipal area of Tel Aviv and the populous Hadar Hacarmel area of Haifa, affecting at least half of Palestine's 550,000 Jews.

Death sentences will be passed by military courts on persons convicted of certain offenses against life and property and of carrying firearms, ammunition and bombs, the official statement said. The death penalty for these crimes was introduced in June, 1936, but lapsed in the summer of 1940.

Coming exactly after the previous bomb explosions, Thursday's outrages were timed in the various towns for 11:30 o'clock. A similar attempt to plant a land-mine at police headquarters in Jaffa was foiled by a police patrol that surprised a trio of terrorists.

One man arrested in Jerusalem had a loaded pistol and a bomb, the police said. It is believed that two were wounded when police opened fire at them as they bolted from the scene of the Jaffa attempt.

The police believe that all the night's outrages were perpetrated by members of the Stern gang, whose leader, Abraham Stern, was killed in February, 1942, while resisting arrest. The Stern gang was a dissident faction that believed that methods of extreme violence were more likely to achieve the Zionists' political aims.

The Tel Aviv Municipal Council and the Council of the General Federation of Jewish Labor have condemned these violent acts and it is expected that the National Council of Palestinian Jews will issue a similar statement, expressing its repugnance and dissociating the Jewish community from the lawless elements. But the feeling is rapidly crystallizing among wide sections of the population that more vigorous acts than constant expressions of abhorrence must be taken to hunt down the fanatics whose unbridled violence may cause the gravest possible developments. Responsible leaders of the Jewish population seem inclined now to consider some kind of Vigilante action, believing that unceasing terrorist tactics are not a matter for the Police Department alone, while it must have public cooperation in detecting perpetrators.

Arab leaders say that the present situation is entirely one arising between the police and the Jewish community, since, so far, no assaults have been made on Arabs. But, should Arabs be the victims of any further series of outrages, it might provide the spark for a new eruption of the local feeling that has merely subsided but was not altogether eradicated in September, 1939, after four years of civil disturbances.

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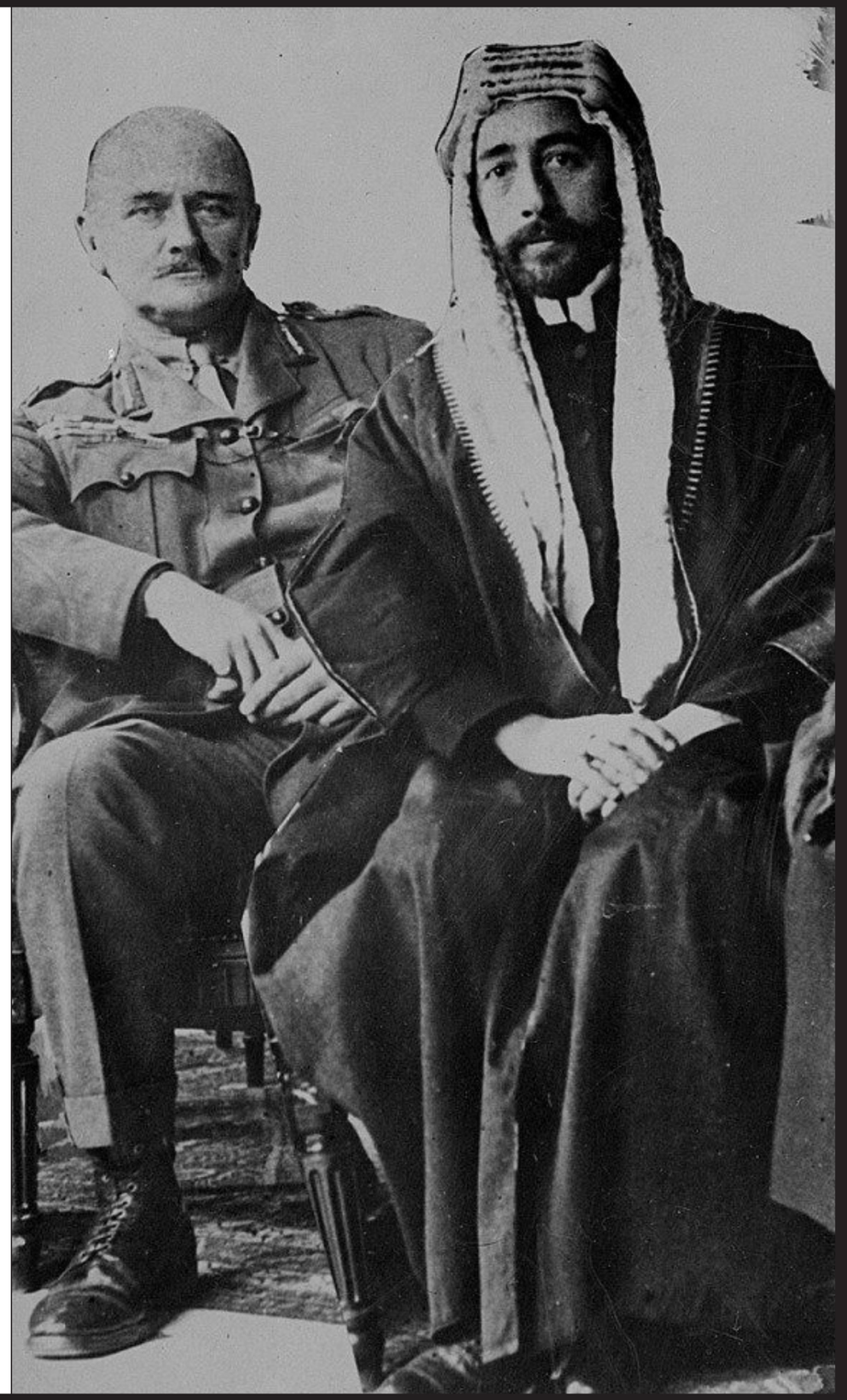

Field Marshall Viscount Edmund Allenby of Britain with King Faisal of Baghdad in Palestine, at right, after the 1920 Cairo Conference formed to negotiate a new era in Palestine. Attending that conference were Colonel Sir Lawrence of Arabia, Sir Herbert Samuel, His British Majesty's High Commissioner, Emir Abdullah, Air Marshall Sir Geoffrey Salmond, Sir Wyndham Deeds and others. In the end, the Arabs were betrayed.

February 25th, 1944

POLITICAL TERRORISM RISES IN PALESTINE

Jewish and Arab Press Urge Suppression of Disorders

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 25—Political terrorist activity has been showing a marked recrudescence lately in various parts of Palestine, probably in the mistaken notion that it it would bring about pressure on British authorities to change her present policy drastically in favor of extremist Jewish nationalist demands.

The authors of these outrages—of which the latest was the explosion of two time bombs placed inside British police vehicles at Haifa yesterday—belong to a tiny fanatical group calling itself Irgun Zevai Leumi [nationalist military organization] whose anarchist acts have been condemned by the remainder of the Jewish population as harmful to the Jewish cause. Twenty dissident revolutionaries recently escaped from a detention camp near Jerusalem and are believed to have joined their associates belonging to an even more extremist faction, whose leader, Abraham Stern, was shot dead during a police encounter in February, 1942.

Arab papers have joined the Jewish press in demanding the apprehension and dire punishment of these lawless elements.

March 31st, 1944

Tel Aviv Bars Soldiers

JERUSALEM, March 29 (Delayed) (U.P.)—The entire city of Tel Aviv today was declared out of bounds to all troops camped in the area, including Palestinian soldiers, as damage caused by terrorist disturbances in Palestine reached an estimated £50,000.

The ban, effective twenty-four hours a day applies to soldiers with relatives in the city as well as pleasure seekers, it was announced. At least half of the estimated damage in Palestine was caused by explosions in the Jerusalem police headquarters.

The extremist Jewish national military organization, Irgun Zvai Leumi, in its first statement since the March 23 outbreaks, acknowledged responsibility for the bombings in Jerusalem, Jaffa and Haifa but denied any connection with the Tel Aviv street shootings.

May 7th, 1944

Jerusalem Gang Is Sought

JERUSALEM, May 7 (Reuter)—Police headquarters announced today rewards of up to $2,000 for the capture of a number of members of the so-called Stern gang, the leader of which has been identified as Jacob Levstein. Further arrests of suspected persons were carried out yesterday on the basis of new information received.

While an armed TransJordan Arab stands guard above, Christian Pilgrims kneel in what is said to have been the court of Pontius Pilate in Jerusalem, Palestine, scene of the first station of the way of cross. The place where Pilate condemned Jesus to death had been a British Police Station but recently was abandoned because of Arab-Jewish strife. Now it is used as headquarters of the Arab National Police, seen here on Friday, March 26th, 1948 in Jerusalem's Christian observances of stations of cross on Good Friday.

August 23rd, 1944

3 POLICEMEN SHOT IN PALESTINE ATTACK

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 23—Armed Jewish political extremists struck again last night with attacks on the Jaffa divisional police headquarters and two police stations on the Jaffa-Tel Aviv boundaries with bombs and gunfire. They wounded three constables and stole a quantity of arms.

Bombs laid at crossroads and railway crossings and indiscriminate shooting over a wide area apparently were diversionary tactics.

One Arab constable is in a hospital in dangerous condition, a Jewish policeman was seriously wounded and a British constable suffered a gunshot wound in his leg. Six suspects were arrested.

Warning notices in English, Hebrew and Arabic were placed near bombs planted in roads in various places. These were signed with the initials of the nationalist military organization, the Irgun Zvai Leumi, which has been responsible for a series of bombings and shooting since last January as part of a campaign to obtain larger Jewish immigration into Palestine.

In May 2002, during an Israeli Defense Force raid on the Manger Square, a part of the Zionist's "*Defensive Shield*," a number of locals and peace activists, some armed, took refuge in the church. It then became the site of a five-week standoff. The standoff ended with a number of Palestinians shot dead, 13 alleged "*militants*" were sent to Cyprus and various other countries with another 26 allowed to settle safely in Gaza. The rest, an estimated 120-240 people, were set free.

Pictured at right, Manger Square is a focal point for all of the Christmas celebrations in Bethlehem, with a giant Christmas tree crowning the towns center square. Locals, pilgrims, Muslims and Jews sang Christmas carols before the midnight mass at the Church of the Nativity. Here Arab women enjoy a day of shopping in the market place located near Manger Square in the city of Bethlehem, Palestine, on November 28th, 1947.

MOYNE'S ASSASSINS MAINTAIN SILENCE

Cairo Officials Describe Them as Jewish Terrorists—Lord Strabolgi Blames Nazis

November 7th, 1944

CAIRO, Egypt, Nov. 7 (U.P.)—Sullenly refusing to answer questions by high political and police authorities, the two assassins of Lord Moyne, British Resident Minister in the Middle East, said today that "we will not talk until we are in court."

It was understood that the young assailants would be tried in normal process in the Egyptian courts with the Egyptian Procurer General as prosecutor.

Both assassins were believed to be Palestine Jews connected with the Stern terrorist organization, which has been bitterly denounced by Jews all over the world.

A double funeral was arranged for tomorrow for Lord Moyne and his British Army chauffeur, Lance Corp. Arthur Fuller, killed with him. The service will be held at All Saints' Cathedral. Lord Moyne's body will be flown to Britain, it was understood.

The new Lord Moyne, Baron of Bury St. Edmunds, was on his way here from Damascus, Syria, where he was stationed as a British Army major.

Officially the young murderers had not been identified, but Gen. Sir Bernard C. Paget, British Commander in Chief in the Middle East, called them "Jewish assassins."

[The Associated Press reported officials in Cairo had announced the assassins were Jewish terrorists. Lord Strabolgi, Labor peer, said in London Lord Moyne was murdered probably by Nazi agents, according to a Reuter dispatch.]

Palestine police authorities joined in the fruitless questioning of the assassins. No papers were found in the clothing of the two men.

Police, after a preliminary investigation, expressed belief that the assassins nad been in Cairo about ten days.

Loss to Nation, Churchill Says

LONDON, Nov. 7 (U.P.) — Prime Minister Churchill, announcing to the House of Commons today the death of Lord Moyne "at the hands of foul assassins," said that he had received no official information that fixed the authorship of the crime or gave a clue to its motive.

Lord Moyne's death, Mr. Churchill said, meant that Jews had lost a "well-informed friend" who had devoted himself to a solution of the Zionist question.

Mr. Churchill said that the nation had suffered a heavy loss in Lord Moyne's death.

Abraham Abrahams, of the political department of the New Zionist Organization, condemned Lord Moyne's murder as an act of terrorism.

"The New Zionist Organization is resolved to do all in its power to bring Jewish youths back to the realization that only by employment of political instruments, discussion, negotiation and public enlightenment can the legitimate Jewish claim of Jewish statehood be attained."

"It is imperative that an immediate inquiry be ordered both into terrorism and its causes * * * with the whole-hearted cooperation of all sections of the Jewish population." Mr. Abrahams added.

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Moyne's Assassin

TWO JEWS ADMIT MURDER OF MOYNE

November 8th, 1944

Terrorists Cite Orders From Sternists—Army Funeral Held for Minister

CAIRO, Egypt, Nov. 8 (AP)—The police announced today that two Jewish prisoners had confessed that they had assassinated Lord Moyne, British Minister of State Resident in the Middle East, on orders from the Stern group of extreme Jewish nationalists.

The confessions were obtained, it was announced, after thirty-six hours of questioning by members of the British Palestine police who flew here for the continuing inquiry.

An elaborate military funeral was held for Lord Moyne and his chauffeur, Lance Corp. Arthur Fuller, who were shot dead two days ago as they drove up to the Minister's residence here. The Grand Rabbi of Egypt and the vice president of the Jewish community of Cairo were among the mourners.

British, American, French, Polish, New Zealand and Egyptian troops escorted the flag-draped caskets through the streets on gun carriages drawn by armored cars from Kasr el Nil Barracks to the Saints' English Cathedral. Lord Moyne's heir, Capt. the Hon. Bryan Guinness, flew here from Damascus for the funeral.

Police said that the prisoners, one of whom was wounded by Egyptian police as they fled across the Residence grounds, had declared: "We are members of the Fighters for Freedom of Israel and what we did was on instructions from this organization."

They gave their names as Moshe Cohen and Itzchak Salzman and contended that Lord Moyne's policies were prejudicial to Jewish aspirations for a national home in Palestine.

Zionist leaders, however, have voiced numerous expressions of horror over the assassination and condemned the terrorists' policies in Palestine and elsewhere.

Authorities here said that there were probably "several dozen" other members of the gang at large with missions similar to that of the two who slew Lord Moyne. They recalled the wounding of Sir Harold MacMichael, outgoing British High Commissioner for Palestine, who was shot from ambush near Jerusalem on Aug. 8.

Palestine Jews Fearful

CAIRO, Nov. 8 (U.P.)—Dispatches from Palestine said today that Jews feared far-reaching consequences from the crime of the Sternists, denounced by Jews all over the world.

"No reason can be given for the crime except lunacy," The Palestine Post of Jerusalem said editorially. "No cause is furthered by

it except the cause of chaos. * * * The shots fired at Lord Moyne were aimed at Palestine Jewry."

The Jewish Agency in Jerusalem asked the Jewish community to make a supreme effort to wipe out the remnants of the terrorists, whose actions, it added, "are calculated to wreck our chances in our political struggle."

September 17th, 1944

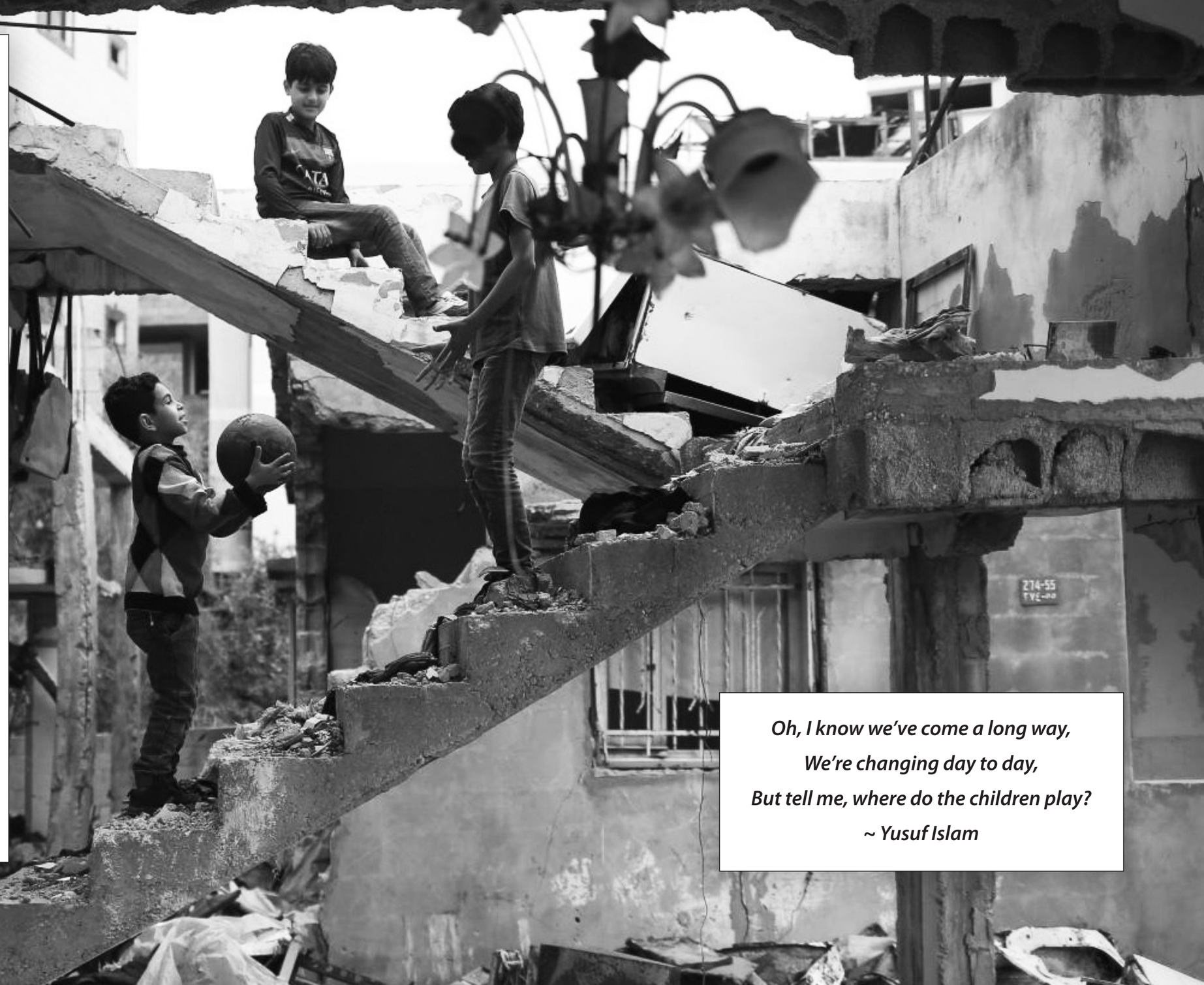
JEWISH COLONY OPPOSED

Committee Advises Australia to Bar Separate Settlements

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

CANBERRA, Australia, Nov. 17 —A committee of Commonwealth officials has advised the Australian Government to refuse permission for the establishment of a Jewish settlement in the Kimberley division of northwestern Australia. It is known that Prime Minister John Curtin and other senior Ministers disapprove of the establishment of large foreign communities anywhere in Australia, feeling that they would tend to create racial and foreign-speaking minorities.

There will be no discrimination against Jewish immigrants, but all immigrants will be settled under conditions encouraging them to merge with the native-born population.



Oh, I know we've come a long way,
We're changing day to day,
But tell me, where do the children play?
~ Yusuf Islam

December 10th, 1944

Four Jews Seize Papers From Arab Army's Office

By The Associated Press.

JERUSALEM, Dec. 10—Four Jews entered the "general headquarters" of the Arab army, Nejada, in Jaffa last night, held up five staff members and fled with a quantity of documents, police said today. Papers in the office included a list of the Arab army' units, which are privately financed, and the strength of each.

JERUSALEM, Dec. 10 (Reuters) —An unknown person hurled a hand grenade at the Greek Orthodox Church building in the walled Old City last night, a police bulletin said today. There were no casualties and no damage.

JERUSALEM, Dec. 10 (U.P.)—The Irgun Zvai Leumi organization opened a big recruiting campaign today by appealing to Jewish youths to "go underground." Buildings in Tel Aviv were plastered with the appeals, which also denounced "salon Zionists and coffee-house intelligentsia."

Illegally appropriating their land, homes and possessions, which they've lived in and owned for centuries and sending anyone, let alone people this age, to live in a tent in a refugee camp is a Zionist death sentence. We call this genocide.

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Scholarly Jewish Idealists Kill To Drive British From Palestine

January 13th, 1945

'Stern Gang,' Carrying On Program of Slain Fascist Chief, Copies Tactics of the Irish Republican Army

By C. L. SULZBERGER

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

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CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 13—The assassination of Lord Moyne, British Resident Minister in the Middle East, for which two young Palestinian Jews are being tried for their lives by a Cairo military court, represents the most sensational outrage committed by the group formed by Abraham Stern, who was killed by Palestine police in a shooting affray almost three years ago.

His followers have been carrying on a series of bombing and shooting attacks on Palestine police and British officials in Palestine ever since.

The Moyne murder was the first time they crossed the Palestine border in what Stern's followers call their "war against the British Empire" and which the British and most Palestinian citizens, including most Jews, denounce as a series of illegal outrages.

Stern was a tall, thin, intellectual-looking young man with features along the lines El Greco painted. He was a classical scholar who had a fine record at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and for some time afterward earned his living by touring and teaching.

He received a scholarship as a classical student in Italy in the 1930's before Premier Mussolini adopted an anti-Jewish policy. While studying in Florence he became influenced by fascist ideas and methods and also by Anglophobia. He returned to Palestine imbued with both and commenced forming his terroristic organization, which is commonly known as the "Stern gang," among friends and former fellow students.

"Stern gang" is a misnomer, because Stern's followers are not gangsters seeking personal gain, but misguided idealists who think that by committing criminal outrages they are achieving idealistic victories. They are in the same tradition as the assassins of the Irish Republican Army, whose tactics they have assiduously studied, and America's own John Brown.

They have studied such incongruous subjects as gunnery and demolitions on the one hand and the history of the Jews by Josephus on the other. Some have adopted the names of zealots mentioned in accounts of the efforts by First Century Jews to expel the Roman armies.

Stern basically contended that his objectives justified his means and that therefore as Eliahu Bet-Tsouri—one of his followers and together with Eliahu Hakim, the admitted murderers of Lord Moyne and his British corporal chauffeur—bluntly stated in court they were "cold-blooded" and often fought "cruelly."

In his blind eagerness to expel the British from Palestine he was ready to make deals with anyone to accomplish his aim. Although Britain was unquestionably fighting on the side of world Jewry in its war against Hitlerism and the Axis, when the military situation looked bleak for Britain in 1941 Stern made a secret deal with Italian agents in Beirut to aid them when the Axis should eventually invade the Middle East.

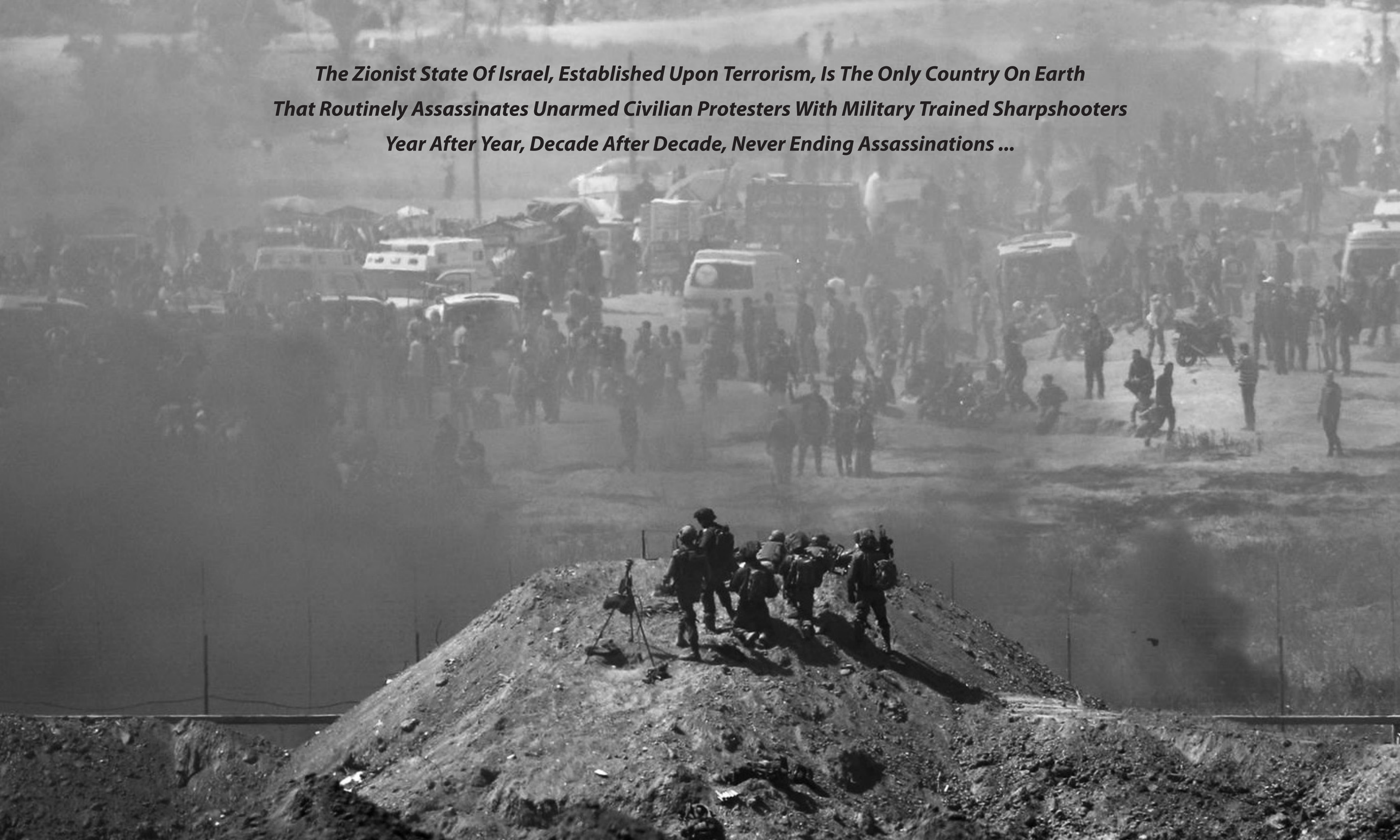
The main agreement in this deal was that, when the Axis conquered Palestine, Stern and his followers were to be recognized as leaders of the Jewish community there. The ridiculous, blind, suicidal aspects of this arrangement were not apparent to Stern and his followers and typify the dangerously misled conceptions of his whole movement.

Following Stern's death—his followers have sought to popularize him among Palestinian youth as a martyr—his movement was for a long time quiescent because the Palestine police and British authorities succeeded in rounding up many of its leaders and others were killed.

Twenty important figures in the group escaped from prison and soon the terrorist campaign was resumed. Its recent highlights have been the attempted assassination of Sir Harold MacMichael, High Commissioner of Palestine, and the murder of Lord Moyne.

The Stern group is a very small minority group of Palestinian Jewry and the active element is even smaller, although extremely well organized. Its adherents are undoubted fanatics and must be recognized as sincere idealists, although this does not in the least condone their criminal methods with their tragic results.

Light terrorism today, clearing in the afternoon with high temperatures close to 75 degrees.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February 27th, 1945

3 BLASTS HIT PALESTINE

Mines Explode at Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Feb. 27 (U.P.)—Mines were exploded during the night and this morning at the income tax offices in Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem, and as a result police invoked drastic measures throughout Palestine, carrying out searches and arresting political suspects.

The Tel Aviv and Haifa mines exploded last night and the Jerusalem mine this morning.

There were no casualties, but police as a precaution evacuated the areas around the office.

Both Arab and Jewish newspapers urged the people to be calm.

The Irgun Zvai Leumi, the Jewish national military organization, issued a proclamation that said:

"There is no longer an armistice between Jewish youth and the British administration, who are not taking into consideration our loyalty and sacrifices, wherefore we are forced to draw our own conclusions fearlessly."

Pictured at right, Arab civilians released by Jews under a prisoner exchange agreement walk through a debris-flanked no-mans-land-pathway as they return to Arab territory in Jerusalem on March 8th, 1949. The Israel-Jordan Armistice Agreement provided for the exchange of Arab civilian prisoners and about 800 Zionist terrorists captured as prisoners of war.

September 10th, 1945

Raid to Free Terrorist Fails

JERUSALEM, Sept. 10 (U.P.)—Members of Irgun Zvai Leumi raided the Government hospital in Haifa today in an effort to free Isaac Merkovitch, a fellow-member, whose death sentence has been commuted to life imprisonment. Police discovered the raiders, who fled while policemen blazed away at them with rifles.

Jewish soldiers
enlisted in the British army
marching on Petah Tikva road in Tel Aviv
on "Jewish Soldiers Day" in 1946. After losing
over 50,000 soldiers in one day
Britain desperately needed
Jewish cannon fodder

20 JEWS SENTENCED BY PALESTINE COURT

October 16th, 1945

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16 — Sentences ranging from three to seven years' imprisonment were imposed today by the British Military Court sitting at Haifa upon twenty Jewish youths, including two 17-year-old girls, found guilty of illegal possession of firearms, explosives and ammunition at their holiday camp south of Haifa last Aug. 16.

The police alleged that the group belonged to an underground political terrorist organization named Irgun Zevai Leumi, but no evidence was produced to this effect in court. When police searched their camp near the Jewish village of Benjamina, they found a large quantity of illicit arms concealed beneath the bushes, and the police alleged that the accused had been engaged in a secret arms-training course, as firearms manuals also were discovered.

Their trial went on for twelve days, and during the defense nine of the group delivered long political addresses criticizing British Government policy toward Jewish immigration.

The sentences are subject to confirmation by the British military commander in Palestine.

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Convey my regards to all

the commanders and soldiers…

Tell the soldiers:

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with your attack and your conquest.

Continue thus until victory.

As in Deir Yassin, so everywhere,

we will attack and smite the enemy.

God, God,

Thou has chosen us for conquest."

~ Menachim Begin

At right, Palestinian women gather water for drinking, cooking and washing in handmade clay jugs from a local well in Jerusalem in 1915 wearing almost the same handmade clothing as they would have worn 1000s of years ago and, incidentally, drawing the same water drawn by Muhammad and others.

October 30th, 1945

Jewish Militarist Jailed

JERUSALEM, Oct. 30 (U.P.)—Isaac Ziegelbaum, 31, reported head of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, Jewish militaristic organization in Jerusalem, was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment by a Jerusalem military court today. Ziegelbaum was arrested on Sept. 7 and charged with the illegal possession of 200 detonator fuses for explosive charges.

1,500 IN JERUSALEM SEIZED IN ROUND-UP IN FATAL BOMBINGS

Arrests, Setting a Record for Palestine, Fill Jails—Most Freed After Questioning

December 28, 1945

SHERTOCK HELD BRIEFLY

Jewish Agency Aide Warns of New Strife—Total Death Toll Stands at 10

By GENE CURRIVAN

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Dec. 28—In the greatest mass arrests in the history of Palestine more than 1,500 persons were taken into custody here last night and this morning following the terrorist outbreak in which the police building in the center of the city was blown up.

They were taken from the area near the scene of the explosion but most of them were returned to their homes or hotels this afternoon.

[The Associated Press put the number of arrests at 2,000.]

Throughout the night and far into the day army lorries passed through the city with great numbers of Jews who were held for questioning. Jails and military compounds were crowded during the night with this throng. Even the Eden Hotel, second largest in Jerusalem, was virtually emptied as the guests were taken into custody last night.

One of those picked up and detained until 9 o'clock this morning was Moshe Shertock, head of the Jewish Agency political department. He was identified and ordered released as early as 4 A. M. but he refused to leave until most of the "prisoners" were freed at 9 o'clock.

Some Americans Seized

It was a mass round-up in this area, with no questions asked. The theory was that the terrorists were housed here somewhere.

Even Americans were included in this general round-up. Some were taken from the Eden Hotel and others were picked up in the restricted area. All of them were released upon arrival at detention camps immediately after they established their identification. It was a case of picking up everyone, no matter what his station in life.

Mr. Shertock, after his release, conferred with the High Commissioner, Sir Alan G. Cunningham, and later issued a statement for the Jewish Agency disclaiming any knowledge of the terroristic activities last night but saying that because of the current conditions in Palestine and the feeling of the people it was powerless to do anything to prevent such occurrences.

An appeal from the agency to the perpetrators would be futile, the statement indicated.

Death Toll Stands at Ten

The death toll from last night's terrorist attacks stood tonight at ten. The center of Jerusalem was under a complete curfew and business was at a standstill.

There were eight killed here in the attack on the police building in the center of town, one British soldier was shot to death during the raid on an arms store in Tel Aviv and a telephone operator was killed when the terrorists wrecked with bombs the district police headquarters on the Jaffa-Tel Aviv border. It was all part of an organized wave of terrorism that shook Palestine last night.

The Jerusalem dead were two assistant police supervisors, four Basuto soldiers and two British constables. The official total listed the number of wounded at twelve.

While the search is still going on for possible victims in the heap of debris that was once the corner section of the police building, Jerusalem is like a city of the dead with virtually no activity except that of the military.

About a hundred curfew violators have been taken from the streets and detained in army barracks. All telephone services, except military police and emergency calls, have been cut off.

Looks Like Shelled City

The business section, which sits atop one of Jerusalem's hills, looked this morning like some modern little town somewhere in Europe that had been shelled the night before. For blocks around the blasted building the streets are littered with glass, splintered window sashes and twisted wire or other debris. Because of the curfew the streets were deserted, the shops were closed and business was generally at a standstill.

The few who were permitted through the police and military cordon stood in small groups examining the wreckage of the police building, whose corner was agape from the ground to the shattered roof over its third story.

On the second floor a desk and chair still balanced precariously on the forty-five degree angle of the floor.

It was off in one corner of this room this morning that rescue squads found the body of an assistant police supervisor for whom they had been digging all night on the floor below. His body was concealed by mortar and stone.

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Events occurred so rapidly last night that even now the whole picture is not clear even in the minds of the police. Everyone near the scene had a different version and those who really could tell the story are dead.

Placing together all the various parts of this jigsaw puzzle one arrives at something like this:

The terrorists, some or all dressed in British battle jackets, drove into the square in front of the police building and immediately opened fire on the police guards. Others placed a bomb in the doorway of the insurance building across the street and blew out the door. The reason for this was to distract attention from the police building and at the same time permit terrorists to gain access to the insurance building, from where they directed covering fire for the events to come.

While this was going on and the police and military guards were engaged in an exchange of shots, members of the gang either planted a bomb outside the police building or threw it through a window.

Just before this occurred a British constable who was on duty at the main gate of the police building ran out toward the attackers with his gun blazing and was shot dead as he reached the curb.

When the blast occurred and completely wrecked the corner of the building the attackers reorganized and ran in the direction

of a near-by movie theatre, where other confederates had a store of automatic weapons and anti-tank mines to cover their escape.

Here they met an assistant police supervisor, who engaged them and shot at least one before he himself was killed by machine-gun fire. A short distance away, near another movie theatre, a British constable who had trailed the fleeing terrorists was killed by gunfire.

A trail of blood from the scene of the attack on the supervisor led through a cemetery a short distance away. Following this the police found a bloodstained battledress with an identity card in the name of Zvi Aronchik of Jerusalem. The trail continued on from this point to the Rehavia section of the town, where the body of a dead Jew was found. It is believed that he discarded his uniform while attempting to escape after having been shot.

Wounded Man Found

The police discovered another Jew in the same area suffering from a bullet wound. After taking him to a hospital a search was made of his home. A steel helmet, battle-dress and Army boots were found there.

The disturbances in Jaffa and Tel Aviv occurred at almost exactly the same time as those in Jerusalem. There were three explosions in the district police headquarters of Jaffa, preceded by a heavy small arms fire attack on the building.

The only casualty was the telephone operator, who was killed. The building was badly damaged. A military detachment on the way to the scene was fired on while on the Jaffa-Tel Aviv road by escaping terrorists, but no casualties resulted.

At almost the same time an arms depot at Tel Aviv was attacked by fifty men armed with automatic weapons and explosives. They killed a British corporal but failed to break into the armory, although they managed to set off an explosive that caused considerable damage to the building.

The attackers, who also mined the approaches to the depot, wore steel helmets, British battledress and khaki shirts.

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BRITISH RADAR SITE RAZED IN HOLY LAND

RAF Station That Helped Curb Immigrants Blown Up— 6 Men Hurt by Glass

February 20th, 1946

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

HAIFA, Palestine, Feb. 20—The Mount Carmel radar station of the Royal Air Force, which has been instrumental in intercepting illegal immigration, was blown up today by a jarring explosion felt all over Haifa. Unofficial estimates placed the damage at almost $1,000,000.

Two noncommissioned officers were seriously injured and six others were hurt by flying glass and falling mortar. After the blast the guards opened machine-gun fire on a fleeing group of terrorists, who escaped in an automobile, but none was believed hit.

Just a month ago there was an unsuccessful attempt to blow up the sttaion, but the explosives were found in time and defused. This time the attackers cut their way through the perimeter barbed-wire fence, evaded the guards and reached the radar building undetected. A bomb containing a delayed fuse was thrown over a secondary wall and landed just outside the main wall of the building. It exploded before the attackers could reach their waiting car.

The explosion occurred soon after 3 A. M. At 2 P. M., in Hagana's clandestine broadcast, the Voice of Israel, the Jewish "resistance movement" explained that the station had been combating Jewish immigration and therefore had to be destroyed. It added that the occupants had been warned by telephone to evacuate the building, but this however was not confirmed by the police or the military. Because of a telephone warning the previous time the bomb was found, it is unlikely that the terrorists would have repeated this maneuver

JERUSALEM, Feb. 20 (AP)—Several heavy explosions were reported tonight in the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv after the blowing up of the RAF radar station on Mount Carmel. Police had no details on the reported explosions in Tel Aviv, fifty miles south of Haifa.

Colombian-Canadian Pact Signed

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

BOGOTA, Colombia, Feb. 20—Colombia and Canada signed a most-favored-nation commercial treaty today before the departure of Canadian Minister of Trade James A. MacKinnon after a visit of several days. The treaty takes into consideration the sterling commitments of the Dominion and refers to the exchange of automobiles, newsprint and pharmaceuticals from Canada and coffee and vegetable products from Colombia.

Good jobs are now open for men 17-34 in the new Regular Army. Men are needed to become specialists in aviation mechanics. Apply now at 39 Whitehall Street.

British soldiers arrive immediately after the terrorist attack on the King David Hotel with bodies still on the ground

JEWISH GROUP ADMITS PALESTINE BOMBINGS

But Irgun Zvai Leumi Denies Tel Aviv Shootings

March 28th, 1946

JERUSALEM, March 28 (U.P.)—The Jewish military organization Irgun Zvai Leumi issued a manifesto today asserting that it was responsible for explosions that damaged police headquarters in Jerusalem, Jaffa and Haifa, but denying responsibility for street shootings in Tel Aviv.

The organization added that authorities had been telephoned to evacuate the police buildings, which were mined, but that the warnings had been disregarded. It hinted that the Sternist group of terrorists was responsible for the Tel Aviv shootings, which resulted yesterday in the death of Constable Thomas Langley, bringing the total of known dead in recent outbreaks to eight.

Two Government offices in Tel Aviv were evacuated yesterday after telephoned warnings, but nothing happened, it was reported.

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PALESTINE BREEDS TEEN-AGE GUN GIRL

Fanatical Group, Linked to Massacre of 7 Britons, Poses New Palestine Problem

April 26th, 1946

By GENE CURRIVAN

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, April 26—Palestine is producing a rare breed of teen-age "gun molls" who are far more vicious and bloodthirsty than anything the United States ever had in real life or on the screen. Some of the guns that took the lives of seven soldiers in Tel Aviv last night were fired by feminine hands.

These girls are fearless and they will fire at the drop of a hat, take a life without blinking an eye or throw a hand grenade with the best of the terrorists. They are fanatical in their ways, believe in what they are doing and are willing to die doing it.

They were among the thirty armed Jews who last night made a well-planned attack on the Sixth Airborne Division car park, where they stole a considerable quantity of arms. When the attack was over and they fled, leaving mined roads in their wake, there were seven dead British soldiers who seven dead British soldiers who had had no chance to defend themselves. A communiqué said "they were shot dead in cold blood."

As in past performances, the attack opened with diversionary tactics. To throw everyone off guard a grenade was hurled into the car park from an adjoining house. While attention was drawn in this direction the attackers fired from other quarters and, using this as cover, rushed the guard tent. The soldiers within were mowed down.

At the same time other attackers directed heavy fire against the soldiers who had been caught off guard and then retreated before they could be fired upon.

As they fled the terrorists were fired upon by the police from a station across the way. Bloodstains subsequently were found but all the terrorists apparently escaped.

There is no way of telling which group of terrorists perpetrated this latest mass murder but the tactics indicate the Irgun Zvai Leumi, which calls itself a "military" organization. It is considered significant, however, that several thousand Jewish youths, including teen-age girls, marched through Tel Aviv yesterday mourning the death of Braha Fuld, another teen-age girl who was killed during the terrorist attack on the Sarona police mobile force headquarters a month ago. She was referred to on placards carried by the crowds as a "fighter for immigration."

At her grave these youths took a mass oath "to follow in her path." She died in what these impassioned youngsters believed to be a just cause. They believe in unlimited Jewish immigration and are willing to go to any end to achieve it. Behind them is Haganah, the Jewish underground organization which leaves no stone unturned to expedite illegal immigration.

Many Jews here are ashamed of this latest cold-blooded attack, especially in view of reports that 100,000 Jews may soon be permitted to enter Palestine.

JERUSALEM, April 26 (U.P.) — Thousands of British paratroopers made a house by house search through northern Tel Aviv today, rounding up and questioning 1,200 suspected terrorists after a night of riots.

Eighty of the suspects were imprisoned after questioning, an official said, and it was indicated that unprecedented measures were under way to prevent any repetition of the attacks. The city was under a strict curfew.

Stern Gang to Carry On

JERUSALEM, Jan. 10 (U.P.)—The more radical Stern group distributed pamphlets in Tel Aviv today saying that its activities would continue "no matter what other underground bodies may choose to do."

It seemed possible that Haganah as well as the British might move to stamp out the Stern group.

The entire situation in Palestine, however, seemed to offer chances of improvement at the moment.

Rothschild

June 6th, 1946

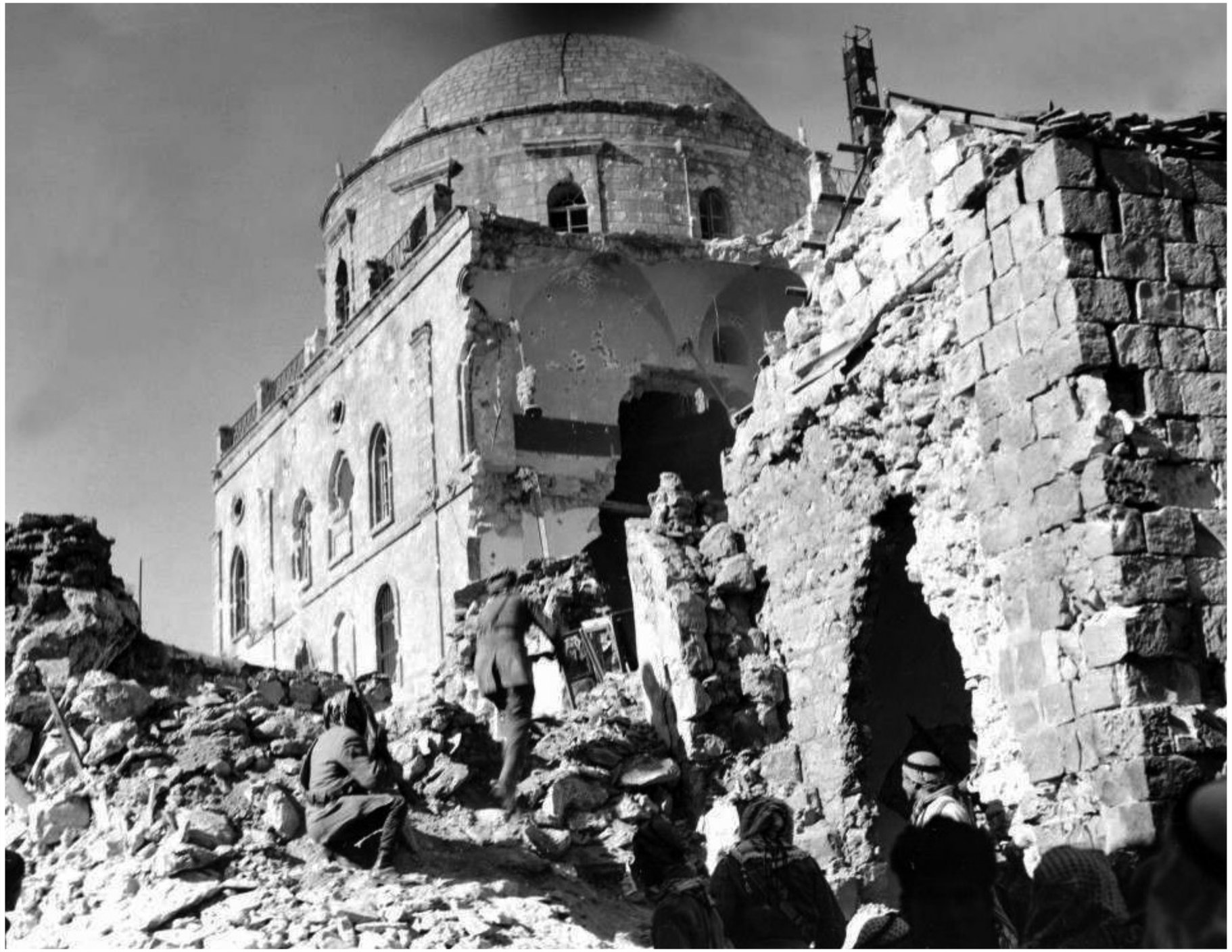
Geula Cohen Gets 7 Years for Aiding Terrorists

JERUSALEM, June 6 (U.P.)—Geula Cohen, 17 years old, who was caught broadcasting on a secret radio transmitter for the Stern terrorist gang, was sentenced to seven years in prison today while she sang "Hatikva," Zionist anthem. She was accompanied in her song by thirty relatives.

Miss Cohen was tried by the British military court on charges of possessing a wireless transmitter, four pistols and revolvers, and ammunition. She was caught broadcasting in Tel Aviv in February, but escaped last month and was recaptured by Arabs.

Four men posing as stretcher-bearers spirited a wounded member of a Jewish terrorist organization from a physician's office while four other men held a police guard at bay, the Government announced today. The eight men escaped with the wounded man and another accomplice in a taxicab.

Seen at right, Arab soldiers approach a huge breach in the walls of Tiferet Synagogue, a stronghold of Haganah terrorists in the Old City of Jerusalem, on May 21st, 1948, during the Arab-Israeli War. Arab demolition squads successfully blasted holes in the structure which was being used as a fortress by Haganah and Irgun terrorist forces, underground, illegal Zionist terror organizations.



5 British Officers Abducted, 2 Shot; Palestine Curfew On

June 18th, 1946

By JULIAN LOUIS MELTZER

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, June 18—Five British military officers were kidnapped in broad daylight today by armed Jewish extremists. From an officers' club on Hayarkon Street in Tel Aviv the officers were taken to an unknown destination. In Jerusalem two Army majors were shot while walking along a street in the center of the city. The shots, which came from a cruising private limousine, inflicted leg wounds on the officers.

Severe military measures faced the Jewish communities of Tel Aviv and Haifa tomorrow. A curfew and orders to stay home until further notice will be imposed, beginning at 5 A. M., to enable large police and military forces to carry out a wide search for the five kidnapped officers, who were reported being held as hostages, and for hidden arms.

[In Cairo the Arab League, in a formal note to the United States Minister, accused "many Americans" of supporting "Zionist terrorists with money and arms." The league advised the United States Government that such action was considered unfriendly.]

Pictured above, Rich Siegel, political activist, is seen protesting the Israeli attack on Lebanon in 2006

The military commander of the Lydda district, in which Tel Aviv is situated, informed the Town Clerk, Judah Nedivi, of the curfew. Similar information was given to the Jewish Community Council in Haifa. A total of 250,000 Jews, almost half of Palestine's Jewish population, is involved.

It was understood that the general headquarters staff, which conferred on the latest outbreak of disturbances, considered a proposal to impose martial law, but the curfew orders represented a compromise.

Tel Aviv was declared off limits to British troops of all ranks. Additional police patrolled the streets in the tense atmosphere.

The Tel Aviv Municipal Council adopted a resolution condemning the kidnapping and urging the perpetrators to free the officers.

The kidnapping and the attack on the officers in Jerusalem, which occurred about the same time, indicated another phase in Palestine's troublesome situation. As individual attacks against the military they recalled recent actions in Cairo and Alexandria.

The Tel Aviv incident was particularly brazen. Several armed Jews entered the club, where a large number of officers on leave were lounging or drinking cocktails before lunch. Most of the officers carried pistols, a compulsory military security precaution, but they were unable to draw quickly enough as the raiders shouted, "Hands up!" Four Army officers and one Royal Air Force officer were selected and escorted outside.

In the Jerusalem shooting the automobile drew up alongside the two officers, who were walking from a club after lunch. A man jumped out, firing a pistol. One officer grappled with him but fell wounded. The men inside the automobile fired automatic weapons, wounding the second major.

The limousine drove off, but a taxi in the Jewish Agency office courtyard, which faces the spot at a principal thoroughfare, sped after the car. The driver managed to take its number. A Jewish passer-by said he believed the attackers were not Jews, but the Government press announcement said they were Jews.

In the Tel Aviv club two officers who resisted the kidnappers were struck with pieces of lead piping.

Large police reinforcements were rushed to the scene and found an abandoned taxi a short distance away, indicating that the abductors used another car in planned operations designed to throw off pursuers.

The police theory is that the officers were seized as hostages for two Jewish extremists, Joseph Ashbel and Isaac Simhon, believed to be members of Irgun Zvai Leumi who were sentenced to death Thursday by a Jerusalem military court for having participated in an

armed attack while stealing arms from a miltary camp. These were the first death sentences imposed under the new emergency regulations providing capital punishment for anyone armed or unarmed, found with an armed raiding party.

It was believed that the kidnappers would present an ultimatum that unless their two comrades in death cells were reprieved the lives of the captured officers would be taken.

The death of two more Jews at the Haifa Hospital brought the toll among the attackers of bridges and railway workshops in the last two days to eighteen, according to an unofficial estimate, and to seventeen by official figures. Funerals of Jewish saboteurs in Haifa and Jerusalem were attended by several thousands.

[Press services estimated the total dead at nineteen; including a British officer killed Monday while dismantling a mine at one of the eight attacked bridges.]

Nine Jews were killed last night after they had raided the Palestine Railway's workshops outside Haifa. Two were killed inside the workshop area. As the raiders' truck left the area it encountered a military road block and ambush. The vehicles dashed toward the barrier as if the drivers hoped to crash against it, and the occupants blazed away at the patrol.

They were forced to flee, however, and jumped out, still firing. The troops returned the fire, killing seven Jews and seriously wounding five others, including two women, and slightly wounding six, including a woman.

Fifteen persons, including a woman, were taken in custody from a truck. Pistols and grenades were captured.

The main damage at the railway workshops was in the machine shop, which was hard hit by explosions and fire. One locomotive was wrecked by explosives. Structural damage was caused by blast and fire.

Train service to all neighboring countries except Egypt was still interrupted by the wrecking of bridges Sunday night.

Attlee Puts Off Questioners

LONDON, June 18 (U.P.)—Prime Minister Attlee told the House of Commons today that the Government was in close contact with the United States Government on the Palestine situation and added, "I cannot make a statement at the present time."

Oliver Stanley, Conservative, had asked the Prime Minister, "In view of the very grave events in Palestine in the last twenty-four hours, would you not agree that it is becoming very urgent that the Government should announce their decision and then give this House a chance of debating it?"

J. Silverman, Laborite, asked Mr. Attlee if he realized that "of all parties to this squabble, the only one so far that has not indicated its attitude to the [British-American Inquiry] Commission's report is His Majesty's Government."

The Jewish youth accused of being an informer for the British was kidnapped by the Irgun terrorists today to be put on secret trial, the punishment could be death by hanging ...

LEAGUE PROTEST BRUITED

Reported Based on Charge That Americans Abet Guerrillas

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

CAIRO, Egypt, June 18—In the Arab League Council's diplomatic notes on the Palestine question Americans were accused of supplying money and arms to Jewish terrorists, it was reported unofficially in Cairo today. Publication of notes to the British and United States Governments and a reported memorandum to the United Nations is expected after the return of Abdul Rahman Azzam Pasha, Secretary General of the League, from Syria on Thursday.

The alleged American assistance to Jewish guerrillas in Palestine was described as an unfriendly act that obliged Palestine Arabs to arm themselves and impelled Arab Governments to assist them. A result, the note was reported to have said, may be that Palestine's disturbances will grow and imperil peace in the entire Middle East.

TERRORIST HIDEOUT IN PALESTINE FOUND

Potash Plant Reveals Secret Arsenal—Bid to Kidnap Top British General Bared

June 21st, 1946

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, June 21—British infantrymen searching the Dead Sea works of the Palestine Potash Company today found secret firearms in a concrete lined cache beneath a trapdoor.

An official statement issued tonight said that among the arms found were nineteen pistols, seven submachine guns, one mortar, sixty magazines and thousands of rounds of ammunition.

The statement added that sixteen persons, including the manager of the plant, S. Swerdloff, and the engineer had been arrested without resistance.

At the same time it was disclosed that the Irgun Zvai Leumi terrorists had planned to kidnap Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, the commanding general of the British forces in Palestine, at the same time as they abducted five British officers in Tel Aviv. Incidentally, the search for the five missing men is still without result.

At left, soldiers of The Black Watch (*The Royal Highland Regiment*) searching Arabs in Jerusalem on January 9th, 1945, in British Mandate Palestine. The Mandate of Palestine was granted to Britain by the League of Nations in 1920 and lasted until the Zionist terrorists' creation of the State of Israel in 1948. Being searched as they are here is kind of like living in racist New York or Chicago with their "*Stop And Frisk*" policies, right? Even more disturbing—when the terrorists are all Zionist Jews from Russia, Poland and other European countries, they're here in your country, and you're the one being searched. At this point in time Islamic terrorism didn't exist. Zionism and its radical, racist, religio-fanatical belief system produced the worlds first true international or global terrorists and birthed the state of Israel.

TERRORIST HIDEOUT IN PALESTINE FOUND

The Jewish resistance movement was reported to have sent intermediaries to the kidnappers organization of Irgun Zvai Leumi, insisting that they release the five British officers.

The kidnappers were reported to have replied that they would release the hostages only if they received a firm assurance that their two friends, Joseph Simkhon and Issaac Ashbel, now confined in the death cell in a Jerusalem prison, would not be hanged.

Evidence Said to Back Claim

The determination to kidnap General Barker was also linked to the condemnation of Simkhon and Ashbel. An army headquarters announcement said that evidence had come to light showing that during the kidnapping of the five British officers the Irgun Zvai Leumi also planned to abduct General Barker.

A British officer has been arrested in connection with the death of Amram Rosenberg, 35-year-old Jew who was shot dead in a street in Tel Aviv after midnight Wednesday after the curfew had been

Young Arab recruits and volunteers undergoing intensive training at the Palestine Police Force barracks in Jerusalem. These young Arab recruits from the Palestine Police Force are undergoing rifle drill on the roof of their barracks in Jerusalem, on November 15th, 1945. Here they're being seen practicing 'present arms' strictly for ceremonial purposes.

lifted, it was officially announced tonight.

According to the version appearing in the Hebrew newspapers two officers approached Rosenberg and one, turning to his companion, asked: "Is he 'Jude?'" On getting the reply "yes, he is a Jew," the officer shot Rosenberg who died on the way to the hospital.

Flying squads of police continued their search in Tel Aviv tonight for terrorist leaders believed responsible for the kidnapping of five British officers from the officers' club.

A minor mystery was cleared up today with the news that a British nursing sister earlier reported missing from Haifa and feared to have been kidnapped had arrived safely at Port Said in Egypt.

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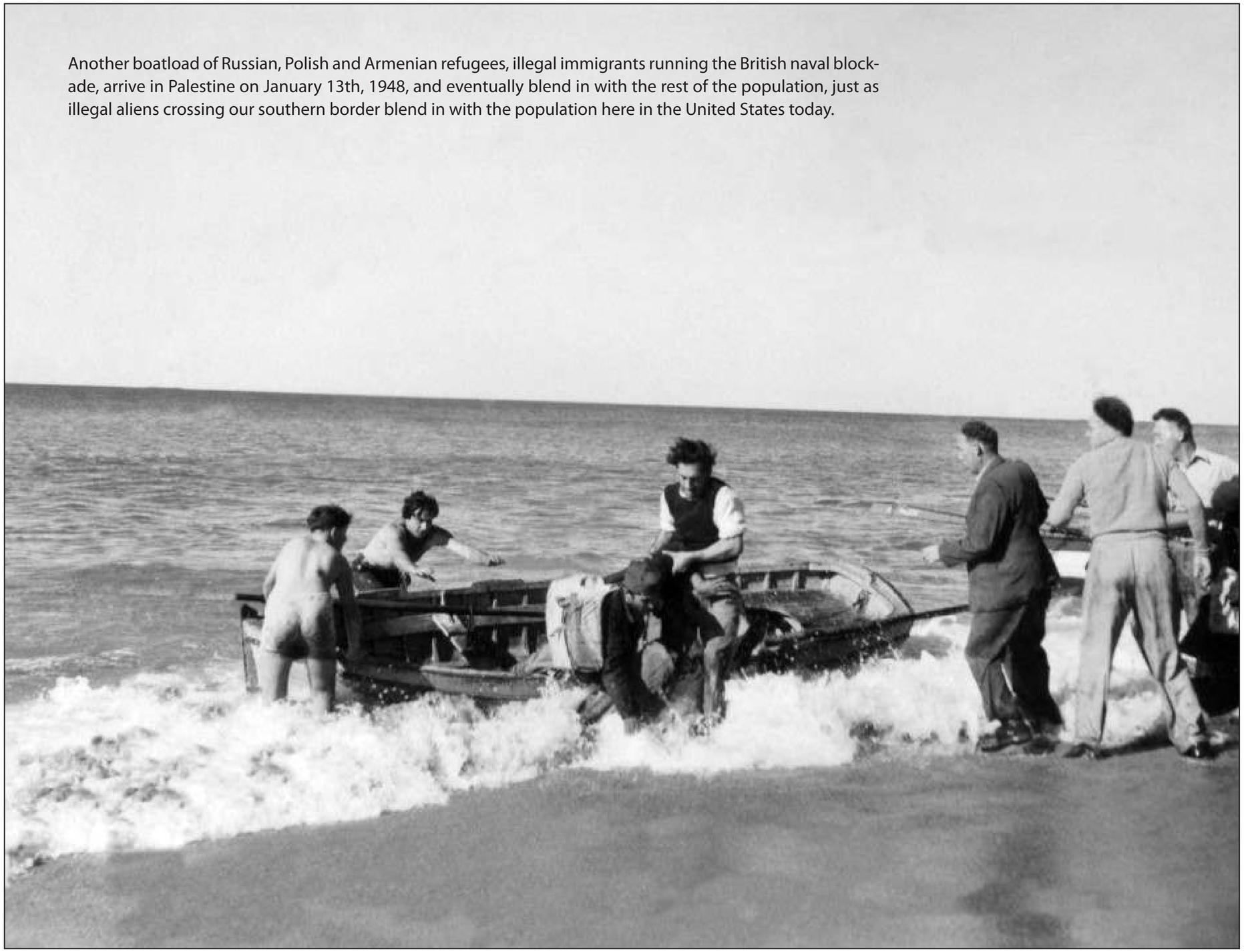

Another boatload of Russian, Polish and Armenian refugees, illegal immigrants running the British naval blockade, arrive in Palestine on January 13th, 1948, and eventually blend in with the rest of the population, just as illegal aliens crossing our southern border blend in with the population here in the United States today.

TEL AVIV SCOURED BY BRITISH FORCES

Terrorists' False Phone Calls on 2 More Officers' Release Spur Palestine Hunt

June 24th, 1946

By The United Press.

JERUSALEM, Monday, June 24 —British Army forces and police converged on downtown Tel Aviv early today in an effort to trace a false telephone call to police headquarters that led to an erroneous announcement that two of the three remaining kidnapped British officers had been released.

Telephone calls to the same effect had also been received at the offices of Jewish newspapers in Tel Aviv. Such calls were the usual means, among other channels, by which Irgun Zvai Leumi, Jewish terrorist organization, communicates its announcements.

Authorities also scoured the neighborhood of Moghrabi movie theatre, where the telephone calls said two officers had been set free at 11 P. M., an hour before the deadline for their release set by Hagana, Jewish underground army and most conservative of the resistance groups.

Defiance of Hagana Indicated

Irgun Zvai Leumi, in apparent defiance of the Hagana ultimatum, invited a showdown in a secret broadcast earlier last night, which said:

"We have no intention of yet setting the remaining three free. They will still be our guests."

Pamphlets distributed by the extremists in Tel Aviv asserted that "we still need them."

Leaflet bombs detonated during the evening scattered the Irgun Zvai Leumi statements about the center of Tel Aviv.

Hagana was expected to move today against Irgun Zvai Leumi.

Five British officers were abducted Tuesday from an officers' club in Tel Aviv. Two of them, Capt. D. T. Z. Rae of the Royal Engineers and Flight Lieut. P. A. E. Russell of the Royal Air Force, were released unharmed at 11 P. M. Saturday after Hagana had ordered the Britons set free or "we will abduct the captives' captors."

Captain Rae and Lieutenant Russell were brought to Jerusalem early yesterday for interrogation by British intelligence officers. Later a statement of their expe-

riences showed that they had been held near the scene of the kidnapping.

A sixth officer, Maj. H. B. Chadwick, who was kidnapped here Tuesday and escaped Thursday, was believed to have acted as a liaison between British Army headquarters and the terrorists.

The officers kidnapped in Tel Aviv were held as hostages for two captured Irgun Zvai Leumi men who are under sentence of death from a Jerusalem military court. British circles now believed the death sentences would be commuted.

Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa continued off limits to British soldiers, who were warned to travel through the cities only in pairs and with their arms at ready.

The Royal Air Force was reported yesterday to have intercepted a ship carrying illegal Jewish refugees in the Mediterranean outside Palestine territorial waters. Several British destroyers were dispatched to meet the ship, which was expected to dock within the next two days.

Jewish Radio States Peace Term

JERUSALEM, June 23 (AP)—The "Voice of Israel," illegal radio station of the Haganah defense organization, said that peace in Palestine would follow admission of 100,000 Jews into the country, as called for in the report of the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry.

"The aim of the Jewish people is to build and not to destroy," the broadcast said. "But we unfortunately have to resort to violence and destruction so that the world will know that, if justice is not given, we will take it."

The broadcast ended with a renewed request to Irgun Zvai Leumi to release the three British officers it still holds of those kidnapped Tuesday.

Two of the five officers abducted in Tel Aviv—one of whom had been slugged with an iron pipe—told today of their kidnapping at gun point at the officers' club, and of having been imprisoned for four days in chains in a basement within ten minutes' automobile ride of the scene of their abduction.

Flight Lieutenant Russell of the RAF and Captain Rae of the Royal Engineers were released last night in a garden near the Hotel Yarkon, home of the club.

Lieutenant Russell who gave most of the details of the experiences of his fellow officer and himself, said he was outside the club when "two armed Jews rushed up, stuck revolvers in my back and ordered me to walk."

"One of the men took off my cap and put a white Panama on my head," Lieutenant Russell continued. "Then I was ordered to get into a black taxi which was outside the club."

Four men were in the taxi, all of them armed. One man said to him, "you need not worry, you are a gentleman. I am a gentleman. You are a hostage."

Lieutenant Russell said the taxi drove for five minutes, then halted. He was transferred, his hands tied behind his back, to a small green truck, in which he was dumped into a large crate with a hinged lid.

Captain Rae, "gagged with adhesive tape and bleeding with a head wound," already was in the crate, Lieutenant Russell said.

Rae Resisted Abduction

A British military announcement said that Captain Rae had been slugged while resisting abduction.

The truck took them to a structure on a side road where they were placed in a cellar that was carpeted with mattresses. Under the direction of a black-masked man who was flanked by four armed guards, the two officers' ankles and wrists were chained, Lieutenant Russell related.

"There was an ample supply of food in the cellar and every night the masked leader brought more," Lieutenant Russell went on, adding that each asked for and received a Bible and shaving gear.

Late last night, Lieutenant Russell said, the masked man handed him and Captain Rae all their possessions except their identity cards and "ordered us unchained."

"He pushed £1 into my pocket, saying it was for 'wear and tear' and any inconvenience I suffered," the lieutenant said. "He insisted I take it, and when I offered it to one of the guards he refused."

Lieutenant Russell said the masked men made him and Captain Rae don dark goggles before leading them from the cellar. They entered a taxi outside the structure and were driven, with several guards, including a woman, for about ten minutes.

"The taxi stopped and we were ordered out and instructed not to turn around until we counted 200," Lieutenant Russell said.

The officers then found themselves in the garden.

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3 BLASTS HIT PALESTINE

Mines Explode at Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Feb. 27 (U.P.)—Mines were exploded during the night and this morning at the income tax offices in Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem, and as a result police invoked drastic measures throughout Palestine, carrying out searches and arresting political suspects.

The Tel Aviv and Haifa mines exploded last night and the Jerusalem mine this morning.

There were no casualties, but police as a precaution evacuated the areas around the office.

Both Arab and Jewish newspapers urged the people to be calm.

The Irgun Zvai Leumi, the Jewish national military organization, issued a proclamation that said:

"There is no longer an armistice between Jewish youth and the British administration, who are not taking into consideration our loyalty and sacrifices, wherefore we are forced to draw our own conclusions fearlessly."

HIGHWAY CONDITIONS AND NEEDS in the United States will be covered in a special article in The New York Times Annual Automobile Show Section Sunday, Jan. 6. There will be many other articles by well-known leaders in the industry.—Advt.

30 Palestine Jews Get 15 Years; One Jailed for Life in Arms Case

June 27th, 1946

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES

JERUSALEM, June 27—Thirty sentences of fifteen years each and one life term were imposed in a Jerusalem military court today upon thirty-one members of the Irgun Zvai Leumi found guilty of unlawfully carrying firearms and, in the case of 19-year-old Benjamin Kaplin—sentenced to life—of discharging a firearm at His Majesty's forces.

This morning's proceedings occupied two minutes as the president of the court rapidly read out the sentences, which were then translated into Hebrew by the court's Jewish interpreter. The sentences are subject to confirmation by the general officer commanding.

The defendants, who included one woman, 21-year-old Deborah Kalfus, born in Palestine of Czech parents, maintained a serene composure although their relatives in the courtroom broke into tears. Some relatives tried to reach the prisoners through the heavily armed police guard to give farewell hugs and kisses.

The accused clicked their heels to attention as their auburn-bearded leader, Hajm Luster, aged 28, rapped out "company shun" after the sentences had been passed and sang the Jewish national song "Hatikvah" in complete disregard of court decorum.

The police shackled them hand and foot and removed them under a strong guard of British infantry to jail. Crowds of Jews outside the court building also sang "Hatikvah" as the military vehicles drove off.

JERUSALEM, June 27 (U.P.) — Bullet proof vests were issued to police manning patrol cars and hand-grenades were distributed to members of the Criminal Investigation Department in a general tightening of security today.

The Palestine Government also

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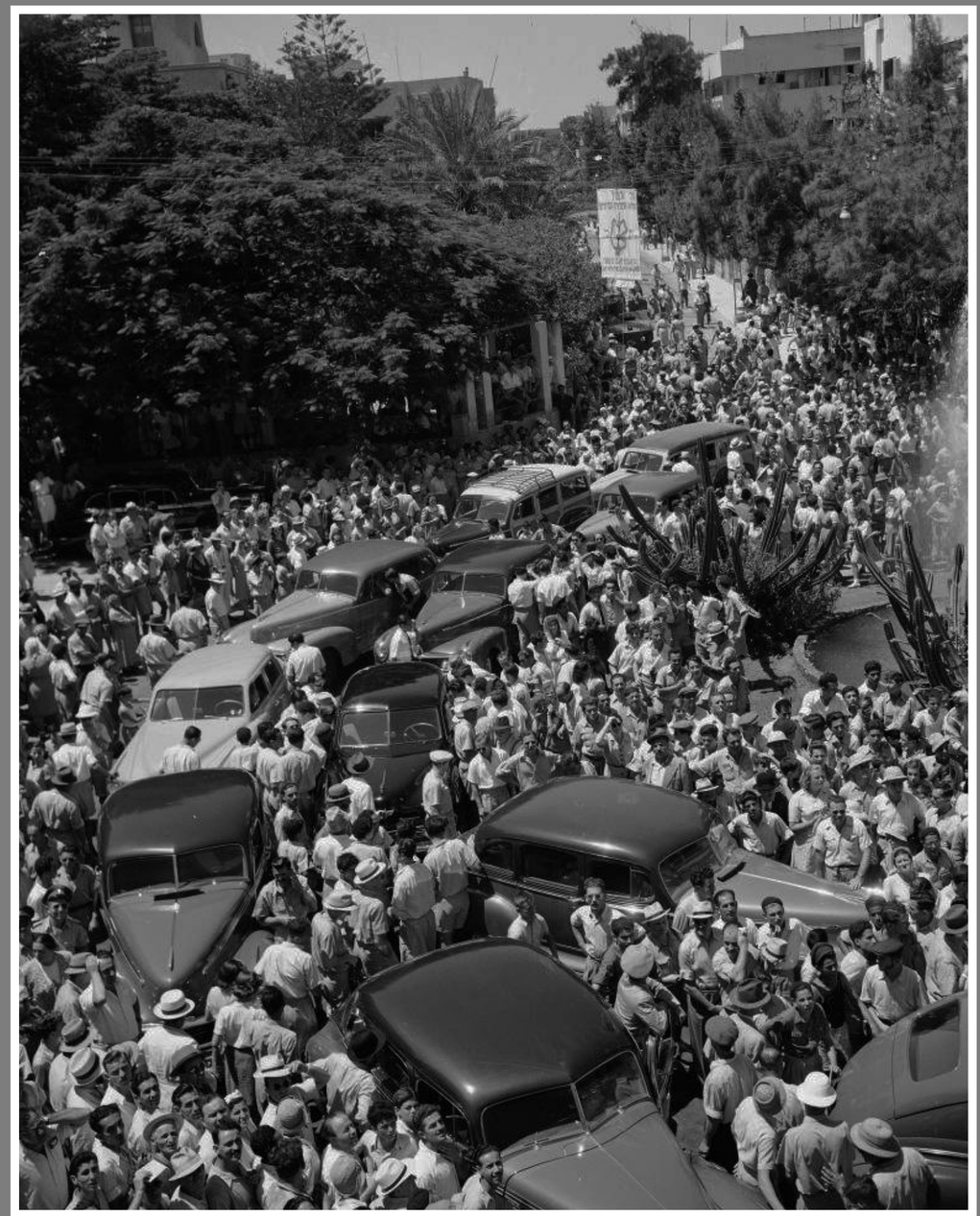

Residents of Tel Aviv, Palestine's all-Jewish city, swarm around automobiles of members of the United Nations Special Commission on Palestine in front of the city's town hall on June 25th, 1947, as the commission arrives for a tour of inspection. As you may already know, the mere notion that "*Palestine never existed*" is pure Zionist propaganda and a frequent erroneous assertion.

PALESTINE JAILS 30 15 YEARS, 1 FOR LIFE

June 27th, 1946

ordered scores of Germans repatriated to Germany to make room for prospective Jewish immigrants.

In an unexpected move at Tel Aviv, however, all barbed wire entanglements surrounding police stations and pill boxes around Government buildings were torn down following the appointment of N. Kremer, a Jew, as police superintendent, to succeed C. E. Wright, a Briton.

Refugees Debark at Haifa

HAIFA, Palestine, June 27 (AP)—Nearly 1,300 illegal Jewish immigrants arrived today with a British destroyer hovering near their ship, the Josiah Wedgwood. They displayed a large banner with the Hebrew inscription, "Nothing shall prevent us from reaching our homeland."

They were transferred to the Athlit clearance camp after debarking. Twenty tried to escape by boat last night and were arrested as suspected crewmen of the Wedgwood.

Many of the Jews said they were former inmates of German concentration camps. Their ship, formerly the Beauharnais of Panamanian registry, slipped out of the Gulf of Genoa last week.

Some of the thirteen hundred plus Palestinian Armenians from Jaffa, Jerusalem and Haifa fleeing Zionist terrorism in fear for their lives, in the temporary tent camp on the grounds of the Armenian Church, in Haifa, on October 29th, 1947, below, where they're waiting for transport back to Soviet Armenia.

PALESTINE VILLAGE A WARLIKE SCENE

Guns of British Armored Cars Cover Ramet Rahel Road in Sight of Jerusalem

June 29th, 1946

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

RAMAT RAHEL, Palestine, June 29—In this settlement near Jerusalem it seemed for a moment this morning like the war all over again.

There were the armored cars down on the lee of the hill three abreast, their vicious little 37-mm. guns covering the road leading up to the crest.

A little farther along there was a typical field headquarters center, a group of vehicles, idle soldiers loafing about waiting orders and a Tommy with a walkie-talkie on his back.

There was just time enough to take in the view—Jerusalem looking small and neat off to the left, and the barren hills leading down through thin summer haze to the Dead Sea ahead.

It was about 11:45, and a column of Bren-gun carriers, infantrymen and trucks moved off along to the communal settlement. All around trucks moved off along the twisting hillside road to the steel gate of Ramat Rahel, Jewish communal settlement.

All around the barbed-wire perimeter of the settlement British soldiers rested beside their rifles and machine guns. At one corner stood another Bren-carrier.

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TWO IN PALESTINE WIN COMMUTATION

High Commissioner Rescinds Death Penalty—Release of 3 Britons Held Near

July 4th, 1946

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Thursday, July 4—Death sentences on two members of Irgun Zvai Leumi, Jewish underground extremist organization, were commuted to life imprisonment yesterday by Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan G. Cunningham, High Commissioner for Palestine.

This action raised hopes that the three remaining kidnapped British officers would now be released.

Last midnight hopes were high that the release of the three, who had been held nearly sixteen days, might come at any moment. This emerged from a late night broadcast by "Fighting Zion," the underground radio of Irgun Zvai Leumi, that the return of the officers was "imminent." The announcer, speaking in Hebrew, added: "This is because our two men, Joseph Simkhon and Isaac Ashbel, have now been spared from the gallows."

An official communiqué announced Tuesday afternoon that Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, commander of the British troops in Palestine, had confirmed the sentences imposed on the two Irgun men by a military court on June 13. Yesterday the High Commissioner commuted them.

Action Sets Precedent

It was the first time that the High Commissioner had been known to have used his power to intervene in such a case.

The two men, Simkhon and Ashbel, were condemned in Jerusalem on charges of discharging firearms, depositing a bomb and removing arms from a military store during a raid on a military camp on March 6 by a band of armed men.

Since their conviction six British officers have been kidnapped. Three were subsequently released.

Two men—Jews this time—were kidnapped in Haifa early yesterday morning. They were former soldiers in the Czechoslovak Army. They were taken from their quarters by four men in civilian clothes, who wrapped them in blankets after subduing them in a fight. The supposition is that the two men were suspected by their comrades of betraying the presence of arms at the Meshek Yagur settlement near Haifa, where a large store was discovered.

Two additional arms caches were discovered at Meshek Yagur Tuesday, making a total of nineteen, an official statement said. The large haul is still being counted and the search continues.

With the commutation of the death sentences and after the excitement of the week-end raids and arrests, Palestine is settling back into its routine—which is not always a peaceful one—and the threat by the Jewish community of non-cooperation with the British authorities has not yet materialized.

This photograph shows the view looking north toward the center of Jerusalem, Palestine, on November 22nd, 1945, with a view of Julian's Way winding its way through the city

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Attlee Says Jewish Agency Has Links With Terrorists

July 6th, 1946

By SYDNEY GRUSON

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, July 1—Criticized bitterly by the Labor party's own back benchers, Prime Minister Attlee told the House of Commons tonight that the round-up of Jewish leaders in Palestine was the only means of halting the spread of terrorism, and he

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declared that the British Government could not accept any policy for the Holy Land that was enforceable only by the use of arms.

He was challenged immediately to say whether this meant, in effect, that the Arabs would have the power to veto British policy even if it were agreed to by the United States, and he replied again that the Gvoernment would not enforce its wishes in Palestine "at the point of a bayonet."

In winding up the debate forced against the Government's wishes by the insistent back benchers, Mr. Attlee pleaded with them "to use some control," and he declared:

"I would ask the House to realize that the Government in this matter have not been actuated by some desire to attack the Jewish Agency, the Jewish people or the Zionist movement. We have been trying for a long time to see whether ordinary police action and persuasion would not stop this terrorism. It has not done so.

"It has got worse. I claim that no Government could have failed to act in these circumstances."

Mr. Attlee informed the House that the Government had "every evidence" of a close link-up between the Jewish Agency and Hagana, the largest of the armed underground forces in Palestine, adding for the first time in the two lengthy declarations he made to the House today that "There is a joint connection with Hagana and the terrorist organization" Irgun Zvai Leumi. He promised to produce evidence for the House as soon as possible.

The debate was almost entirely between the Government and the Labor back benchers. Except for a brief statement by Col. Oliver Stanley, former Colonial Secretary in charge of Palestine, Conservative opposition remained silent. But Colonel Stanley, noting that the situation in Palestine became worse the longer decisions were delayed, said, "in a few weeks nothing can avert war in Palestine."

Mr. Attlee had hoped to make a single statement at the opening of the House. But after he had done so, emphasizing that the Government "will not tolerate any attempts by any party to influence a decision in the Palestine question by force," a Laborite, Sydney S. Silverman, moved for adjournment of the House "to call attention to a definite matter of public importance."

Such a motion requires forty supporters, and just about that number, practically all of them Laborites, rose to support Mr. Silverman, thus forcing tonight's debate.

U. S. "Informed," Attlee Says

During the afternoon's statement, Mr. Attlee had told a questioner that the United States Government had been "fully informed" about the week-end's developments in Palestine, but had not been "consulted" because it was the British Government's sole responsibility, "and it would be quite unfair to try to put the onus on another Government."

The issue of whether Washington had been informed was not gone into tonight when Mr. Silverman, R. H. S. Crossman and Michael Foot led the assault upon estine. Mr. Silverman described them as an "attempt to put the Jewish Agency out of action," with its officers "uncharged and untried in a concentration camp." He claimed that the agency was "the creature of international law" and had the same right in Palestine as the British Government. This contention Mr. Attlee later denied vigorously. Mr. Silverman said the Government could end violence immediately by stating clearly, "We accept the recommendations of the Anglo-American Commission."

"If you can't say it, don't leave the people in doubt," he declared. "Don't blame the Hagana because you have no policy. Make your statement and violence will cease in Palestine."

Mr. Crossman, one of the Labor party's most brilliant young MP's, had done as much as anyone to stem the criticism of Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin on Palestine at the Labor party's recent Bournemouth conference. But tonight, Mr. Crossman, who was a member of the Palestine Commission, was in complete opposition to the Government, charging that a "police state" existed in the Holy Land.

Crossman Disputes Premier

Speaking from his experiences in Palestine as a member of the Commission, Mr. Crossman criticized the view implied by Mr. Attlee in his first statement that only a small group of extremists was causing the trouble in Palestine. He advised the Government to look upon Hagana and the Jewish community there as a "resistance movement."

"We know it is impossible to crush a resistance movement that has the passive toleration of the mass of the population," Mr. Crossman said. "There is only one way of smashing a resistance movement, and that is to liberate it—smashing the conditions under which it has grown, giving to those people who were willing to die for it the thing for which they were willing to die."

Declaring that the former Mufti of Jerusalem had made it clear that "once the British Government have liquidated the Jews in Palestine" he would attempt by violence to remove the British from the Holy Land, Mr. Crossman said: "In this action of the Government we are drifting into war—first with the Jews and after that with the Arabs."

Jew Defends Attlee's Course

Asking Mr. Attlee to declare his

acceptance "in principle" of all the recommendations of the Anglo-American Commission, Mr. Foot also expressed belief that the present actions of the Government could only lead to war. "If we go on," he said, "we will be engaged in a long, wretched and miserable war which will leave a black and indelible stain on the record of this great Government."

One of the most impressive of many voices raised in defense of the Government was that of D. L. Lipson, Jewish Independent member, who said the arrests in Palestine did not constitute war against a Jewish national home "but necessary disciplinary action against Zionist lawbreakers.

SHOWDOWN IN PALESTINE IS BELIEVED IMMINENT

Despite Raids and Arrests, Jews Still Hope 100,000 Will Be Admitted

July 6th, 1946

By CLIFTON DANIEL

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, July 6—What happened in Palestine last week-end apparently represents an attempt by the British authorities to take back into their own hands full military control over the country preparatory to announcing a decision on the political future of the Jewish national home.

For the Jewish population, dismayed and embittered by the wide-scale British raids and arrests, the silver lining consists in the fact that a majority seems to believe that the British action heralds a decision to admit 100,000 Jewish refugees from Europe into Palestine, as recommended by the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry. The tone of announcements from London encourages their optimism. The mood of the Jews is thus a mixture of hope and despair. The mood of the Arabs is conversley a blend of satisfaction at the discomfiture of their rivals and mistrust in ultimate British intentions.

British Motives

There appear to have been several motives for the drastic British campaign against the leader-

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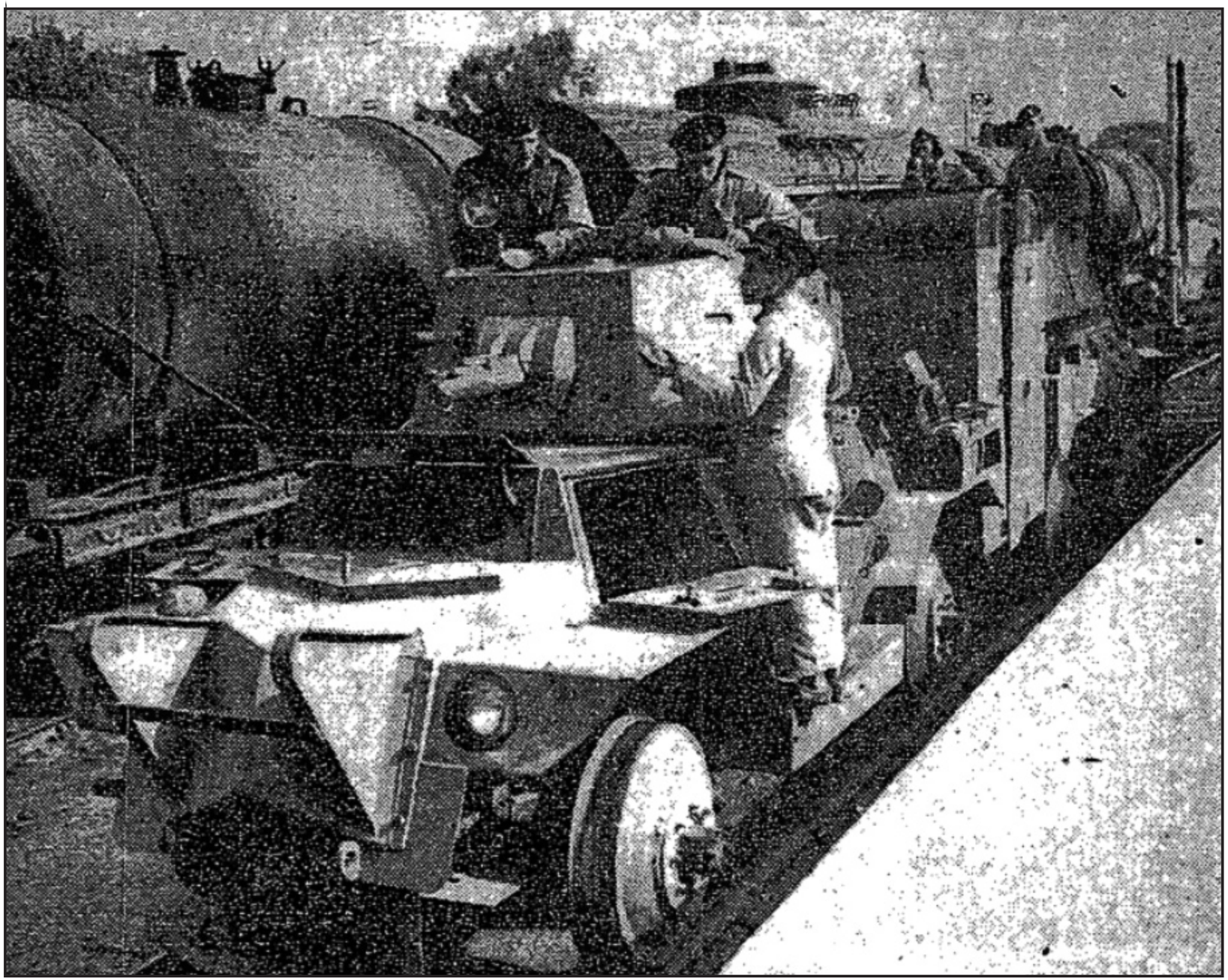

ship of the Jewish underground resistance movement:

First, the British authorities intended to demonstrate to both Jews and Arabs that they were still bosses of Palestine. Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan G. Cunningham's statement at the beginning of the operations emphasized that violence would not be tolerated on the part of "either community."

Second, the operations, incidentally, inflicted some retribution for the loss of British lives and property at the hands of the extremists.

Third, some appeasement was offered to the Arabs who have long complained that the British were not acting firmly enough against Jewish terrorism.

Fourth, the British authorities wished to curb the Jewish resistance movement so as to minimize possible opposition to whatever policy may be announced for Jewish immigration.

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The action leads one to surmise that while 100,000 may be admitted, British policy will not be wholly satisfactory to Jewish aspirations and that the authorities ultimately anticipate renewed pressure for still more immigration.

On the Jewish side the British action is regarded with alarm for these reasons:

First, the arrests of citizens in their beds, the forcible entries into Jewish settlements and the temporary incarceration of more than 2,500 in concentration camps without charges seemed to the Jews to be a repetition of totalitarian tactics, which many of them fled Europe to escape.

Second, the arrest on suspicion of four members of the Jewish agency executive and other Jewish notables deprived the community of the major part of its leadership at a critical moment.

Third, the Jews feared that searches of their settlements would deprive them of their arms at a time when the Arabs are again becoming belligerent and when the Arabs' most aggressive leader, Haj Amin el Husseini, the Mufti of Jerusalem, has just returned to the Middle East after consorting with Nazis during the war.

Walter Eytan of the Jewish Agency political department told a press conference in Jerusalem this week that the ordinary Jew believed the object of the British was to disarm the Jews so as to provide future pretext for keeping their troops in this country to protect the Jews from the Arabs.

Urge for Statehood

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These fears and suspicions have a background in Jewish determination, fanaticism and even ferocity, the extent of which, R. H. S. Crossman told the House of Commons this week, the British Government underrates. It probably has not been realized in the West how desperately the Jews of Palestine and their supporters are set upon rescuing their brothers from Europe and, if humanly possible, attaining statehood for their dispersed nation in Palestine.

This desperation arises from weariness with centuries of long struggle to escape oppression and the shock of the fearful holocaust of Jews in Europe.

It is accentuated by the feeling that all past promises to Jews have been betrayed and that no country in the world except Palestine offers a haven for them, and that the defeat of the greatest of anti-Semites still has not brought security for the Jews in Europe, or in the Middle East.

In Palestine this desperation has been manifested by an increasing tendency of the Jews to rely solely on their own strength for the attainment of the needs that they regard as just and legal. They say, as Mr. Eytan said this week, "Jews are disinclined to look to anyone else but themselves for defense."

Illegal Immigration

They are disinclined also to look

solely to anyone else for the rescue of the Jews from Europe. Illegal immigration has increased to such a rate that there are now 2,500 more new Jewish immigrants in the country than are allowed by the current immigration quota and the next quota of 1,500 does not fall due until July 15.

On the Jews it has been impressed that "patience and loyalty do not by themselves merit attention," said a press release by the Jewish Agency this week.

The connection between immigration and armed resistance is this: The Jewish armed forces were originally organized only for defense and employed as such until after the end of the European war when they began to be used partly to cover and protect the arrival of illegal immigration ships and to force the attention of the British authorities to the demands of the Jewish community for greater immigration.

Still it is not sufficient simply to characterize all branches of the Jewish underground armed forces as "terrorists." Fine distinctions must be made between the branches and their various activities.

The main Jewish armed force is Hagana, meaning defense, whose strength Prime Minister Attlee puts at 70,000. Like the national militia of any community, it comprises the bulk of the community's able-bodied young men. It includes former soldiers and policemen as well as ordinary members of the Jewish settlements.

Role of Hagana

This defense force had its origins in the very beginning of Jewish settlement in Palestine under the Turks and was organized in its present form in 1920. Twice during the past decade it has had the benefit of British arms training and official recognition—once during the Arab troubles just before the war and again when it appeared that Palestine might be invaded during the war.

The legitimacy of Hagana and the need for it is still tacitly recognized by the British authorities.

Last week-end's raids stopped short of depriving the Jewish settlements of all their arms. General Cunningham implied that private armies might be necessary in Palestine, but significantly stated that they should be under control of the Government.

Inside Hagana there is a striking force, an elite corps and training center called Palmak, composed of 1,500 "professional" soldiers whose numbers could be augmented to 5,000 in case of need.

It is this striking force that has been used to assist illegal immigration and to bring pressure on Britain by blowing up bridges and railway lines.

Jewish authorities emphasize, however, that no instances of individual sabotage or terrorism, such as murders, kidnapping or bombing of police stations can be charged against Palmak.

More Extreme Groups

Such acts are usually attributed to the more extreme Irgun Zvai Leumi, which is composed of several thousand young men and women of the middle classes who pursue the strongly militant line of forcing acceptance of Jewish aspirations in Palestine.

This religiously inspired body, thirty-one of whom were on trial last week, is reputedly led by Menahim Begin, a Polish Jew who was deported to Siberia by the Russians in 1939 and subsequently served in the British Army.

A much smaller and now less active organization is the Stern Gang, which was responsible for the assassination of Lord Moyne in 1944.

It was Palmak for which the British forces were aiming in last week's operations. Four officials of the Jewish Agency were arrested and the agency's documents were seized at the same time because the British authorities felt that at a very minimum the agency had not cooperated with them in restraining the underground and controlling illegal immigration. An effort will be made to prove a connection between some Jewish officials and the underground.

In a broader sense the British believed that the Jewish community had become too headstrong in its attempt to settle the future of Palestine by its own strength. The struggle on that issue is now joined and Palestine's Jews are ready for the showdown.

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ZIONIST TERRORISTS SAY THEY SET BOMB; DENOUNCE BRITISH

Government Ignored Its Phone Warning, Irgun Zvai Leumi Says in Communique

July 23rd, 1946

REGIME DENIES A NOTICE

New Attack on Police Offices Threatened—Truman and Attlee Deplore Violence

By CLIFTON DANIEL

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, July 23 — Irgun Zvai Leumi, an extremist Zionist organization, announced that it had been responsible for the bombing of the British headquarters here in a communiqué issued tonight in Tel Aviv but blamed the "British tyrants themselves" for the loss of life.

Five more persons were taken from the wreckage of the King David Hotel today, two alive and three dead. The latest official casualty list, issued as three days of further searches appeared probable, showed forty-eight persons killed, forty-one missing and fifty-eight injured. Police seeking the perpetrators of the bombing announced the arrest of twenty-seven Jews and the discovery of one suspect dead and another wounded. The city was under a strict 6 P. M.-6 A. M. curfew, enforced by roving army patrols.

[Denouncing the bombing, President Truman declared that such terrorism "might well" damage the cause of Zionism. In London, Prime Minister Attlee reported considerable progress toward a permanent solution of the Palestine problem, adding that violence would not sway Britain from her aim of justice.]

Zionists Claim Warnings

Giving a detailed report of the operations of its "soldiers," Irgun Zvai Leumi claimed that telephoned warnings to the King David Hotel's switchboard and a warning bomb placed outside the hotel had given the Government twenty-two minutes — between 12:15 and 12:37 P. M.—to evacuate civilian personnel. "The tragedy which occurred in the civilian offices of the occupying Government was not caused by Jewish soldiers," the communiqué said, "but by the British tyrants themselves, who disregarded that warning and did not evacuate the building at the advice of military experts who undertook to dismantle the explosives." There has been no evidence, however, that there was any consultation of military experts or any attempt to dismantle the explosive charges that were carried into the hotel in milk cans and buckets from a stolen truck, which was found today.

[The Palestine Government vigorously denied that any advance warning had been given to Government and military departments in the King David Hotel before the bomb exploded, according to Reuter. The United Press reported that a mysterious telephone call to police headquarters on Tuesday had warned that the police building would be bombed at any moment and as a result the Jewish section of Palestine was under a guard so heavy that it approximated martial law.]

Of the total casualties, only twenty-two were army personnel —eight killed, five missing and nine injured. The rest were civilian Britons, Arabs, Jews, Greeks and Armenians.

Briton Condemns "Murder"

"Their only crime was their devoted unselfish service to Palestine and its people," Sir John Shaw, chief secretary of the Palestine Government, said in a broadcast today. "For this they have been rewarded by cold-blooded murder," at which Sir John expressed "grief, horror and disgust."

Others in all Palestine's communities shared his feelings. There was a grave funereal atmosphere here today as pneumatic drills continued to cut into the jumble of concrete at the King David and the police combed through the Jewish quarters of the half-dead city in search of terrorists. The wounded Jew and his dead companion were found in a school within the ancient walls.

The police cordoned off the Old City this morning and thoroughly searched its dark, twisting alleyways. The Montefiore quarter, a slum district within 200 yards of the King David, was also surrounded and all males were removed for identification.

While Jerusalem was mourning its dead and castigating the terrorists, the British High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, hastily recalled from London, arrived at the Lydda airfield and hurried to Jerusalem with

an armed escort. He was met by Sir John, who escaped death as he sat yesterday in his office in the King David.

The meeting was very solemn. Jerusalem was solemn, too. By mid-afternoon all shops were closed. The Arab community called a protest strike from noon to 5 P. M. and the Jewish community was observing a "mourning period" from 3 P. M. to midnight. Soon after 3 P. M. funeral processions—Arab, Jewish and British—began filing through the streets.

Expressions of abhorrence appeared in the Jewish press and the Jewish Community Council here declared that the terrorist evil must be uprooted. Condemnations of the attackers were heard from plain people on every hand.

Although the Jewish Agency and the Jewish National Council called on the Jewish community "to rise up against these abominable outrages," no formal action to aid the authorities in apprehending the terroists was proposed today. There was speculation that, despite its sense of outrage, the Jewish community might wait for the release of the men recently detained by the British authorities before undertaking full cooperation.

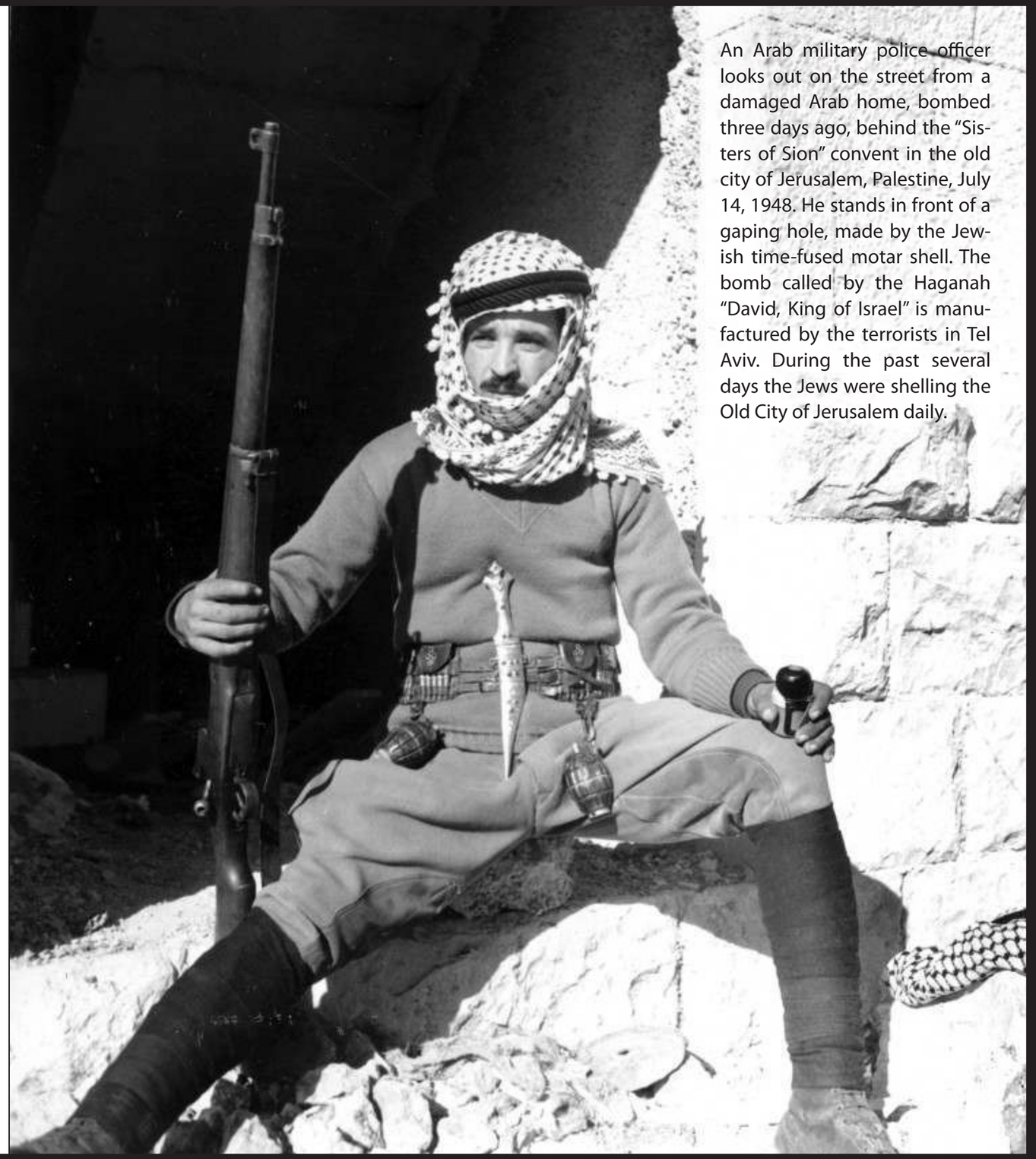
The King David Hotel is being evacuated. The southwest corner, which housed the Palestine Government, has been cleanly cut away, leaving the white interior walls glaring against the pink stone of the rest of the building. It looked as if a 1,000-pound aerial bomb had struck the corner.

The bombing wiped out almost half the Government's staff, including several senior officials. But Downing Charles Thompson, assistant secretary of the Government, was rescued from the ruins today.

The Government's casualty list showed that two principal assistant secretaries, F. W. G. Blenkinsop and G. T. Farley, had been killed and five other assistant secretaries were among the missing.

Arabs Warn Britain

JERUSALEM, July 23 (Reuter) —The Palestine Arab Higher Committee cabled the British Government tonight that, unless prompt action were taken to stop terrorism, it would have to call on the Arab people to "protect the lives of its sons and their interests with all the strength at their disposal. We place the responsibility for the consequences on the British Government," the cable added.



An Arab military police officer looks out on the street from a damaged Arab home, bombed three days ago, behind the "Sisters of Sion" convent in the old city of Jerusalem, Palestine, July 14, 1948. He stands in front of a gaping hole, made by the Jewish time-fused motar shell. The bomb called by the Haganah "David, King of Israel" is manufactured by the terrorists in Tel Aviv. During the past several days the Jews were shelling the Old City of Jerusalem daily.

BRITISH CITE WIRES IN ZIONIST TERROR

July 24th, 1946

White Paper Quotes Jewish Agency Officials' Cables to Palestine Bands

By MALLORY BROWNE

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, July 24 — A documented indictment of three Jewish armed organizations in Palestine—Haganah and its associated force, the Palmach; the Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern Group—and of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, alleged to have instigated their violence, was presented to Parliament today in the form of a White Paper and will be debated in the House of Commons next week.

The evidence that led the British Government to make mass arrests of Zionist leaders in Palestine on June 29 is contained in the document. This evidence consists chiefly of a number of intercepted telegrams that passed between London and Jerusalem from Sept. 23 to Nov. 3, 1945, and of extracts from political pamphlets and broadcasts.

The Government contends that these telegrams prove that Haganah and other organizations under the control of prominent members of the Jewish Agency "have

The highly respected Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, previously pictured as a cartoon character by the NYT, wearing white head wear in the center and Musa Kazim Pasha El Husseini, at the Grand Mufti's left, aged 82, photographed on arrival at Victoria Station in London on March 30th, 1930. The delegation is in Britain to urge, among other things, the establishment of a Palestinian National Democratic Government in which both Arabs and Jews will participate in proportion to their numbers. The delegation is headed by Musa Kazim Pasha El Husseini in accordance with the customary Arab tradition of giving precedence to age, for good reason.

been engaging in a carefully planned movement of sabotage and violence under the guise of a Jewish Resistance Movement." The document presents the texts of seven telegrams referring to three of the worst incidents before last Monday's bombing, including an attack on the Palestine railways on Oct. 31 and Nov. 1.

Attack "Carefully Planned"

According to the White Paper' conclusions, these telegrams prov that this first big attack was "carefully planned in advance as part of a deliberate policy. It was intended as a warning to His Majesty's Government of the con sequences that would follow if they did not comply with the wishes o Yishuv (the Jewish community in Palestine)," the White Paper declared.

Telegrams were exchanged among various prominent members of the Jewish Agency, including Bernard Joseph, its legal ad viser and a member of its executive, and Moshe Shertok, head of the agency's political department and also a member of its executive. The telegram also mentioned David Ben Gurion, chairman of the agency's executive, and Eliezer Kaplan, head of the financial department.

Besides the telegrams, the White Paper quoted from broadcasts by the radio station "Kol Israel" and from pamphlets of the various organizations. It emphasized that by no means all the evidence in the Government's hands was included in the White Paper, and it declared that during the first six

months of 1946 there were almost fifty separate terrorist incidents involving violence.

First Impressions Mixed

The White Paper is being carefully studied by MP's and the first impressions are decidedly mixed. Some political quarters said that at first sight the evidence contained in the White Paper appeared to convict the British Government of contributory negligence in not breaking up the terrorists' London headquarters.

Some London quarters denied this. They said that, contrary to the impression given by the telegrams in the White Paper, there was no such London headquarters. Government's hands was included in the White Paper, and it declared that during the first six months of 1946 there were almost fifty separate terrorist incidents involving violence.

First Impressions Mixed

The White Paper is being carefully studied by MP's and the first impressions are decidedly mixed. Some political quarters said that at first sight the evidence contained in the White Paper appeared to convict the British Government of contributory negligence in not breaking up the terrorists' London headquarters.

Some London quarters denied this. They said that, contrary to the impression given by the telegrams in the White Paper, there was no such London headquarters. The British authorities believe that the persons in London who sent or received these messages (which were of course in code) did so as private individuals and, furthermore, as individuals who were often traveling between London and Palestine.

Furthermore, it is likely that the Government will argue that the code was not cracked until most of these persons had already left London and that the greater part of those against whom evidence exists were arrested in Palestine. Some of these persons clearly escaped, however. One about whom questions are sure to be asked during the debate is Mr. Ben Gurion, who is now in Paris.

Delay Is Questioned

The main question troubling political circles here is why action was not taken sooner by the authorities in Palestine to disarm the terrorists and render them powerless, since at least some of the information was in British hands last autumn. The answer given here is twofold. First, it is contended that it would have been politically unwise to have taken earlier action when great efforts were being made through the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry to find some permanent solution of the problem. Second, it is said that another reason for the delay was the need to have in Palestine sufficient forces to deal effectively with any disturbances that might have arisen from the type of drastic measure taken last month.

At right, an image by famed photographer Felix Bonfils (1831-1885) of two Palestinian women from the village of Siloam taken between 1867 and 1870

These and other similar points are bound to be discussed during the debate, which is likely to center on the White Paper. It is understood that Prime Minister Attlee, defending the Government's policy, will not only deal with the White Paper and the latest bomb outrage at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem but also make some announcement on long-term policy.

There is a growing conviction here that this policy will include a recommendation for partition, probably combined with federation. Mr. Attlee is also expected to declare that Britain has no objection to a discussion of the whole matter of the Palestine mandate by the United Nations' General Assembly, as urged by Egypt on behalf of the Arab League.

Middle East Bases Needed

But at the same time, the British make no secret of their need for a big military and air base in the Middle East. Now that they are withdrawing from Egypt, it is hard to see where such a base could be situated except in Palestine and Trans-Jordan.

Also it is not at all impossible that the British have some qualms about turning Palestine over to the United Nations' joint trusteeship when such trusteeship would almost certainly have to include Russia. It is not often mentioned here, but it is in the back of everyone's mind, that the Middle East may become a key point strategically and that in this business of jostling for strategic positions Palestine plays a vital and indispensable role.

At right and on the next page, Zionist Jews are assisted on their way out of the Old City of Jerusalem during the 1936 - 1939 Arab revolt (*there was a revolt in 1916 as well*) by British soldiers. The revolt, a demand for independence, was against British colonial rule similar to revolts against British colonial rule throughout the last several centuries. Sovereignty is always preferable to dominion, especially domination that extracts tremendous financial benefit at the expense of the indigenous population, as the British Mandate provided for the colonizers. The first phase of the revolt was a peaceful protest directed by the urban and elitist Higher Arab Committee (HAC) and was centralized around strikes and other forms of non-violent political protest. The Arabs had plenty of skin in the game—they made up well over 90% of the population. By late 1936 this phase of the protest was defeated by the British using political concessions, international diplomacy meeting with the rulers of Saudi Arabia, Transjordan and Yemen, and the threat of Martial Law in Palestine. The second phase of the revolt began in late 1937 and was a violent peasant led resistance movement that primarily targeted British forces. The rebellion was brutally suppressed by the British army and the Palestine Police Force, composed for the most part of local, British trained and loyal Palestinians. The British used extraordinarily cruel and repressive measure that were specifically intended to intimidate and instill fear in the Arab population to undermine popular local and international support for the 2-phase revolt.

ARMED BAND RAIDS JERUSALEM PRISON

Shooting Marks Brief Attack —British Launch 'Contempt' Drive—500 Now Detained

July 27th, 1946

JERUSALEM, July 27 (AP)—An armed band made an unsuccessful attack tonight on the military detention barracks in Jerusalem where police are believed to be holding 376 Jews arrested in a round up of suspects following the dynamiting of the King David Hotel.

Shots were exchanged between sentries and the attackers, and British troops and police immediately threw a cordon around the entire Talbieh quarter.

Soldiers were under "shoot on sight" orders. Every person on the street in the quarter, which is predominantly Arab and has not been under curfew, was ordered into his home. No passes were valid.

The curfew in that quarter was lifted soon afterward, however, and no arrests were made.

An official communiqué said that "guards at the military detention camp shortly after 9 P. M. opened fire on about five men seen approaching the perimeter of the defense. It is believed one was wounded."

The attack followed by five days the dynamiting of the King David Hotel, headquarters of the Palestine Government and the British military establishment in which the toll has now risen to eighty dead and twenty-five missing.

Military and police tightened precautionary measures throughout Jerusalem.

Palestinian women crushing olives Jerusalem circa 1900-1920

Arrests Now Reach 500

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, July 27 — Widespread arrests of young Jews suspected of connections with terrorists organizations continued in Palestine today. A number were arrested in the all-Jewish City of Haifa.

The exact figures were not officially disclosed but there must be at least 500 held in concentration camps as a result of the round-ups of the past two days following the bombing of the King David Hotel.

A new detention camp has been established at Masmya on the road to Galilee.

Nearly all those arrested are thought by the authorities to belong to the Revisionist Movement from which sprang the Irgun Zvai Leumi organization, responsible for the King David Hotel bombing.

Among those arrested in Tel Aviv was Esther Raziel, a sister of David Raziel, founder of Irgun Zvai Leumi. Raziel was killed in Iraq in 1941 while engaged on a secret mission for the British forces during Rashid Ali el Gailani's revolt.

General Sir Miles C. Dempsey, British commander in the Middle East, came to Jerusalem from Cairo today for conferences with army authorities and Palestine Government officials who are con-

cerned with the security of the country during the current negotiations on policy for Palestine. He saw the High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan S. Cunningham, but the nature of their conversation was not disclosed.

There became known tonight the text of an order by the British military commander of Palestine expressing his determination to make the Jews aware of the British soldiers' "contempt and loathing" for their conduct in connection with Monday's bombing of the King David Hotel and instituting a strict non-fraternizing policy.

An order barring British troops from all Jewish premises was issued on Thursday.

Ill-feeling between the Jewish community and the British troops is becoming increasingly evident since the British raids on Jewish settlements and institutions on June 29.

On the other side the Jews frequently report disparaging remarks by troops and some of them charge the British with fostering a "hate" campaign against them. That is the background of the non-fraternization order.

The text of the order to all units, signed by Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, reads:

"The Jewish community of Palestine cannot be absolved from responsibility for the long series of outrages culminating with the blowing up of a large part of the Government offices in the King David Hotel, causing grievous loss of life. Without the support, actual or passive, of the general Jewish public the terrorist gangs who actually carry out these criminal acts would soon be unearthed and in this measure the Jews in this country are accomplices and bear a share in the guilt.

"We are determined that they shall suffer punishment and be made aware of the contempt and loathing with which we regard their conduct. We must not allow ourselves to be deceived by hypocritical sympathy shown by their leaders and representative bodies, nor by their protests that they are in no way responsible for these acts as they are unable to control the terrorists.

"I repeat that if the Jewish public really wanted to stop these crimes they could do so by active cooperation with us.

"I appreciate that these measures will inflict some hardship on the troops but I am certain that if my reasons are fully explained to them they will understand their propriety and they will be punishing the Jews in a way that the race dislikes as much as any by striking at their pockets and showing our contempt for them."

Occupants of some twenty business premises in the center of Jerusalem's shopping district received notice today to vacate by noon tomorrow as a security measure. The businesses, including a bank, occupy the ground floors of buildings housing police headquarters, police billets and the District Commissioner's offices in the vicinity of Jerusalem's central post-office.

These premises have been behind barbed wire for months and are now being evacuated so as to deny them to free access by the public.

The terrorists who dynamited the King David Hotel on Monday entered the building through a civilian entrance and placed the explosives in a public room beneath the Government offices.

In bitter terms, Sir John Shaw, Chief Secretary of the Palestine Government, has rejected the expression of "Profound grief" and "deep sympathy" sent to him by the New Zionist Organization of Palestine with which Sir John asserted Irgun Zvai Leumi was associated.

In a letter sent from Tel Aviv on Wednesday Dr. Leon Altman, New Zionist president, told Sir John that the New Zionist executive had voted at an emergency meeting to express its condolences.

Replying yesterday Sir John said:

"According to their own published boast this revolting crime was perpetrated by a national military organization (Irgun Zvai Leumi) which is associated with the New Zionist Organization. In these circumstances I find myself unable to accept the expressions of regret and sympathy."

The New Zionists, otherwise known as Revisionists, pursue a militant policy of advocating the immediate creation of a Jewish state. They dissociated themselves from Irgun Zvai Leumi some time ago and are now seeking to rejoin the World Zionist movement.

In a communiqué to Palestine newspaper editors today Irgun Zvai Leumi termed the King David Hotel bombing a "disaster" but said "this disaster is not going to break our spirit any more than greater disasters, such as that of the Patria [Jewish immigration ship that sunk off the Palestine coast in 1940.]

"This is war and in all wars there are disasters," it added. The organization reiterated its contention that the disaster was due to negligence in evacuating the building after a warning had been given and it rebuked the editors for lack of "civic courage" in accepting the British version of the event.

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CITIZENS ARE COOPERATIVE

July 30th, 1946

Officer Says Seized Jewish Agency File Lists Members of Suspected Groups

By CLIFTON DANIEL

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

TEL AVIV, Palestine, July 30—In a mass manhunt for members of Zionist terrorist gangs, almost 20,000 British troops and Palestine police engaged here today in the most intensive and extensive searching operation ever undertaken in Palestine or perhaps anywhere else in the world.

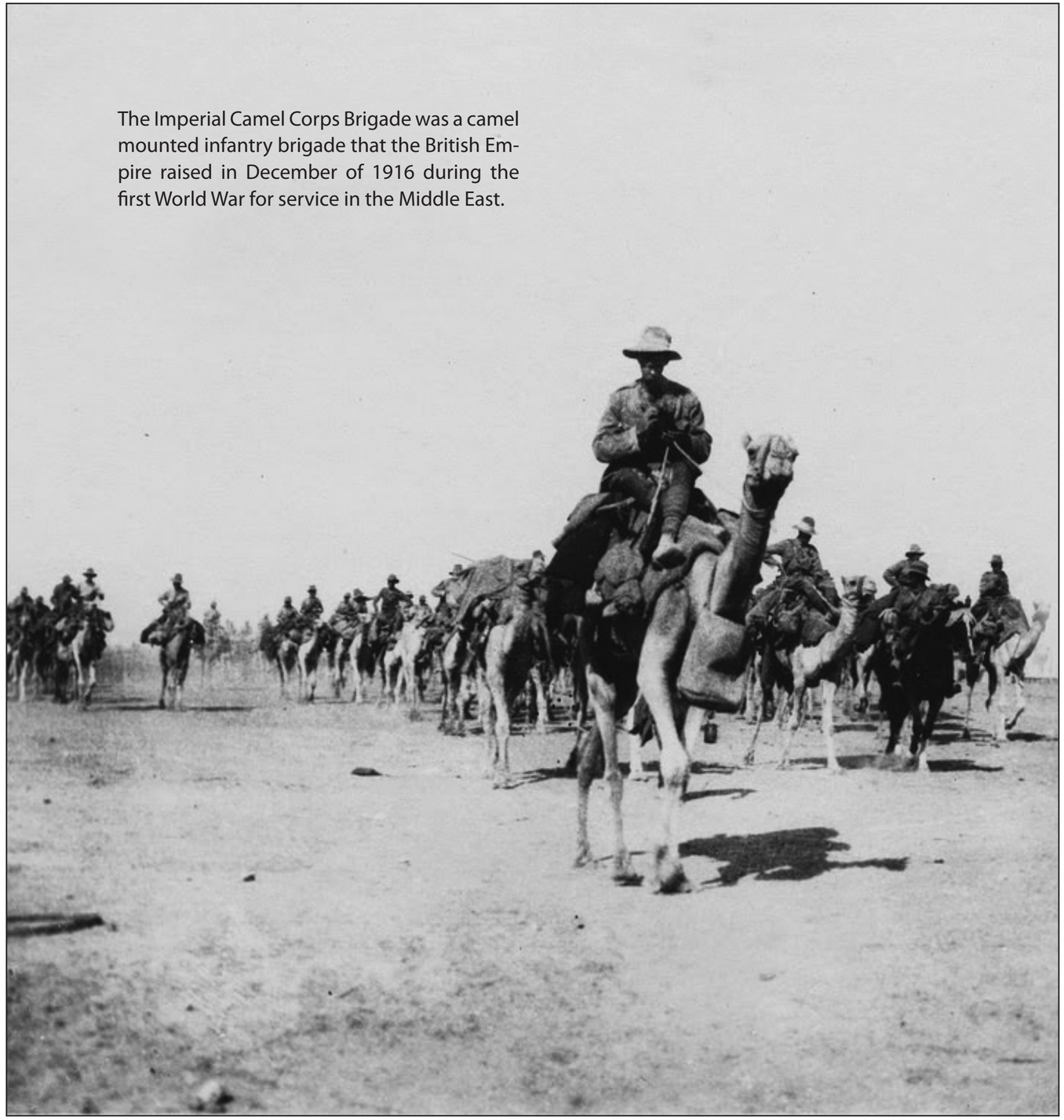
A communiqué issued in Jerusalem tonight said that 133 men and boys and ten girls and women had so far been detained for further questioning out of the hundreds whose identity papers were examined in this all-Jewish city. Apart from minor stone-throwing, the communiqué added, no opposition was offered to the troops, who belonged to the Sixth Airborne and First Infantry Divisions, working in conjunction with 600 Palestine policemen. There were no casualties.

This was the British authorities' answer to the blasting of the Palestine Government's offices in the King David Hotel a week ago yesterday—a search so thorough that every adult in Tel Aviv will be questioned, every building will be examined and even patients in hospitals will be investigated. X-ray photographs of patients in plaster casts will be made to determine whether their injuries are genuine.

"Shoot-to-Kill" Curfew

Completely cut off from the rest of Palestine by land and sea, the city was put under an absolute twenty-two-hour curfew at 5 A. M. The citizens were told that anyone breaking the curfew would be liable to be shot on sight by troops ordered to "shoot to kill." The curfew, with occasional two-hour breaks for householders to reprovision, will probably continue for four to five days until the entire city has been combed.

The troops and police know what they are looking for. They have a long alphabetical list of suspected members of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, extremist under-



The Imperial Camel Corps Brigade was a camel mounted infantry brigade that the British Empire raised in December of 1916 during the first World War for service in the Middle East.

ground army, and of the Stern gang, and photographs of some of the leading members of both groups. One officer said that some of these names and photographs had been obtained in a raid on the Jewish Agency for Palestine one month ago yesterday, when twenty-seven Zionist settlements and large numbers of Zionist institutions were searched.

In a communiqué issued in Jerusalem at 8 A. M., the British High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, said that the operations "have as their objective the search for and detention of terrorists and are a direct result of the vile and horrible crime committed in Jerusalem on July 22.. There is clear evidence of the existence of terrorists in Tel Aviv and that some, if not all, of those who took part in the Jerusalem crime come from that town." Tel Aviv is known as a "tough town" and, with its entirely Jewish population, is a safer haven for terrorists than cities with mixed populations.

Repeats Earlier Assurance

General Cunningham repeated his declaration of June 29 that the operations were intended to interfere as little as possible with the country's normal life but he added that "mere protests" were not sufficient to remove the stain of the King David Hotel bombing. This apparently referred to the appeal of Zionist institutions for the Jewish community to rise against the perpetrators of the bombing—an appeal followed by no action.

"No movement of a terrorist character would have a chance of survival against the wishes of the people from whom it springs," General Cunningham said. "Preventive measures have been set into motion. It lies with the Yishuv [the Jewish community] to decide whether they will help or hinder the design of rooting out a canker."

As far as could be observed in Tel Aviv today, there was absolutely no resistance to the search. Residents submitted meekly and seemingly without rancor. By contrast with the vociferous protests and occasional resistance of settlers whose colonies were raided on June 29, the citizens of Tel Aviv seemed subdued and sobered by the tragedy of last week when more than 100 persons died in the King David Hotel.

City Surrounded

Before dawn this morning, British troops established a cordon around the entire city. All traffic was prevented from entering or leaving. Traffic jams piled up at crossroads outside. All telephone and telegraph communications were cut off. Government launches patrolled off the coast to prevent any boats from leaving the harbor.

Within the city a series of inner cordons was established. Then at 4:55 A. M. the search began, house by house, store by store, building by building, block by block.

When a party of newspaper correspondents arrived from Jerusalem, they found Tel Aviv a dead city, seeming at first glance entirely deserted except for troops and an occasional scavenging dog. Every store and office, including newspaper offices, was closed and not a single civilian could be seen on the streets except under the escort of soldiers or in barbed-wire pens.

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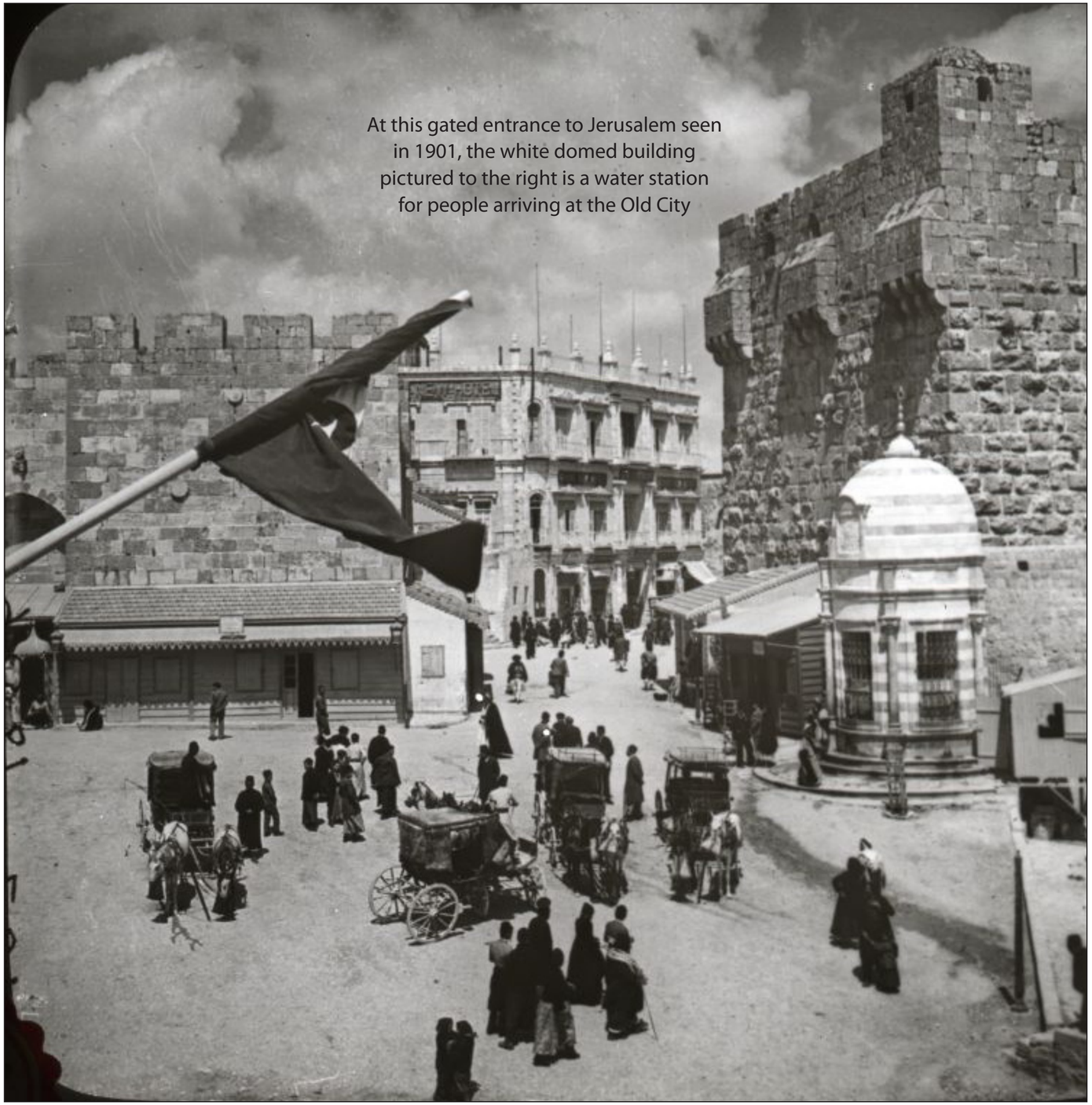

At this gated entrance to Jerusalem seen in 1901, the white domed building pictured to the right is a water station for people arriving at the Old City

Jaffa Let Almost Alone

In the adjacent city of Jaffa, whose population is almost as wholly Arab as Tel Aviv's is Jewish, business proceeded normally, except in one quarter where there are large Jewish elements. The boundary between the two cities, which ordinarily is indistinguishable, was marked by thick barbed-wire barriers today.

Just outside Tel Aviv's city limit at Lydda, district police headquarters, Maj. Gen. A. J. H. Cassels, commander of the Sixth Airborne Division and of the searching operations, told correspondents that the search was a "preliminary step" toward wiping out terorrist gangs. Nineteen army units, averaging 650 to 700 men, and 600 police participated in the search, he said, and would enter "every house, every shed, every place where a man might be."

General Cassels explained that arrangements were being made to bring food into the city, that bedridden persons were not being moved and that a central pool of ambulances had beer formed to assist the sick during the searches. Jewish policemen engaged in finding the people needed to maintain the essential services, and a military team was sent to a powerhouse to keep the electric service running. Hospitals were searched but thereafter they received special facilities to continue their work.

Beatings Alleged

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, July 30—Several reports that British soldiers had beaten Jews in the Talbieh military detention barracks, where they were taken for curfew breaking, were permitted by the censorship to appear in the Hebrew press today.

New Refugee Ship Reported

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

HAIFA, July 30—Numerous reports received here today said that the second refugee ship of the week was approaching Haifa. Distress signals were received last night and a tug and a destroyer were sent to assist the vessel, which was 200 miles off shore. The number of immigrants aboard was variously estimated at 500 to 1,000.

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British armed forces arrest suspected Jewish terrorists for interrogation

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British Tanker Explodes In Haifa When Unloading

August 2nd, 1946

By The Associated Press.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 2—The British tanker Empire Cross exploded and sank while unloading in Haifa Harbor tonight. Twelve of a crew numbering from thirty to forty were rescued.

There was no hint from any source that the explosion was connected with Jewish terrorist activities or with the fact that some 5,000 illegal Jewish refugees were now awaiting permission of the British Government to debark at Haifa.

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Palestinian prisoners in the Old City of Jerusalem during the British Mandate, circa 1929

Judaism Council Warns Truman of Violence Under Segregation Scheme for Palestine

August 3rd, 1946

The American Council for Judaism, Inc., made public yesterday a letter to President Truman stating that endless violence and the perpetuation of nationalistic conflicts would result from any policy that sanctions and strengthens the forces of division and segregation among those who live in Palestine.

Reports that Jewish and Arab districts be established in Palestine had been recommended by the Anglo-American Cabinet Committee, with each district making its own regulations for the admission of permanent residents, were commented on in the letter.

The letter was signed by Lessing J. Rosenwald, president, and Elmer Berger, executive director, of the council. The writers urged that acceptance of the Cabinet Committee's recommendations be conditioned upon their conformity to and implementing the Anglo-American inquiry committee's report made public last April.

Adoption of the Anglo-American report in its entirety is the only hope of permanent solution of the Palestine problem, with assurance of equality of rights and responsibilities of all Palestinians—Christion, Moslem and Jew—the council has stated repeatedly.

"We have urged that this report, unanimously adopted after a thoroughgoing and objective study," the letter to President Truman stated, "be immediately accepted and implemented in its entirety."

"This report embodies these salient conditions: to provide homes in Palestine for 100,000 displaced Jews, wider immigration opportunities throughout the world and peace and security in Palestine by the progressive elimination of the nationalistic rivalries in that country.

"We submit that any policy that sanctions and strengthens the forces of segregation and division among those living in Palestine would mean the perpetuation of antagonistic nationalistic conflicts and endless violence."

A long-range American policy on Palestine was also urged by the council, the letter stating that "failure to establish such a definitive and clear policy in the past has been one of the causes of continuing conflict."

PALESTINE GROUP VOICES NEW THREAT

Irgun Zvai Leumi Warns of Heavy Attacks—Radio Says Curfew Will Be Resisted

August 6th, 1946

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4 (AP)—Irgun Zvai Leumi, Zionist underground organization that announced it was responsible for the King David Hotel bombing in which ninety-one persons died, broadcast tonight a threat of "new and heavy blows against our British enemies even in the heart of their power."

In the first broadcast over the organization's secret radio since June 22, a spokesman for the illegal resistance group said the next time the British imposed a curfew like the recent one in Tel Aviv during the city-wide comb-out, "the residents will receive orders to go into the streets at curfew time, and if the British start shooting, there'll be 1,000 British victims, too."

The broadcast called on Haganah, another Zionist group, to declare as forgeries certain documents in which, the British said, Haganah termed the King David Hotel bombing the work of "criminals."

"We cannot believe," the broadcaster said, "that Haganah has made any statements saying it regrets this act. We are expecting Haganah to make a declaration on this subject."

The documents, the broadcast said, were "forged by the British in an effort to divide the Jews."

[The British Colonial Office said Friday in London that the documents, purportedly issued by Haganah, had been found in Tel Aviv during the search.]

Exile for Accused Reported

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4 (U.P.)—Twenty-two members of Irgun Zvai Leumi and of the Stern gang captured in recent round-ups were put aboard ships for exile in detention camps in Eritrea, it was reported today.

British authorities continued to requisition buildings in Jerusalem, including public buildings containing city offices.

The High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, was reported to have said that he had been "pushed aside" as a result of the Jews' not having cooperated in suppressing terrorism and that "it is now for the army authorities to deal with the present stage of things." This was interpreted as threatening a declaration of martial law.

Sneh Said to Have Left Openly

PARIS, Aug. 4 (AP)—Moshe Sneh, listed by Palestine police as a wanted leader of Haganah, vast underground organization, left the Holy Land openly and no obstacles were placed in the way of his departure by the British, David Ben Gurion, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, said today.

Mr. Sneh's arrival in Paris for the deliberations of the Jewish Agency Executive, of which he is a member, caused excitement in Jerusalem.

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Four Young Women Receive Life Terms on Same Count — Underground Reprisals Feared—Some Refugees Jump Ships

August 16th, 1946

By The Associated Press.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 16—Singing loudly in defiance, eighteen young Jewish men were sentenced to death and four young Jewish women to life imprisonment today for a bomb raid on Haifa railway shops, and rumors instantly started that the underground would strike back.

The twenty-two, allegedly members of the underground Stern group, were found guilty by a Haifa military court of staging the night raid several weeks ago.

Some Jews declared that "the Stern gang won't let it pass," and expressed fear that the underground might strike in attempts to free the condemned men or avenge them if they were hanged. Their sentence still must be reviewed by the British High Command. Another rumor said thousands of Jews might stage a hunger strike in protest.

Meanwhile, a government announcement said two Jews had "jumped" a refugee ship in Haifa harbor but had been picked up ashore, and that this might have "gotten rumor-mill treatment and grown into a boatload."

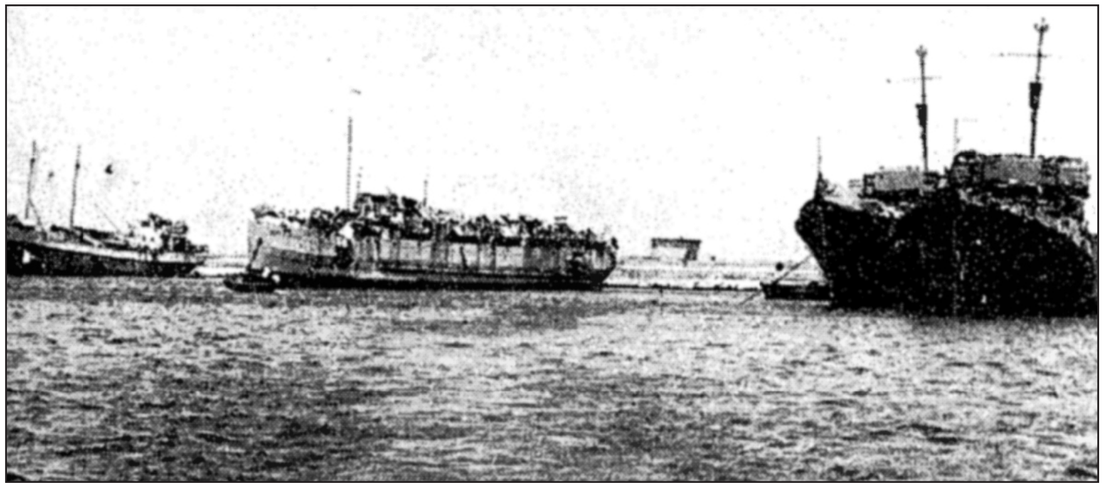
[The reference to a "boatload" was related to another report that over 100 unauthorized immigrants had escaped from Haifa harbor under cover of darkness and in less than half an hour had been "absorbed" into near-by homes.]

The twenty-two youths broke into the Jewish national hymn "Hatikvah" as the court president read the sentences for their part in a week of underground actions in which bridges were blasted and a train wrecked.

They had been tried in absentia because they insisted on singing when their four-day trial opened. They were led into court today to hear the decision, and their singing drowned out the reading of the sentences.

The defendants had demanded treatment as "prisoners of war."

They were captured at a roadblock established by British soldiers a few minutes after a raid on the Haifa railway workshops.



Haifa Harbor stacked up with illegal refugee ships increases tension in Palestine on August 16th, 1946

Fleeing in a truck, they smashed into a Bren carrier at the roadblock and opened fire. Soldiers returned the fire for nearly a minute, during which several of the attackers were killed or wounded.

The sentencing, plus a Jewish non-cooperation strike scheduled for Sunday, and reports that hundreds more unauthorized immigrants had reached the Palestine coast, with some escaping ashore, heightened general nervousness in Palestine.

However, the country was expected to be quieter tomorrow—the Jewish Sabbath.

One highly-placed Jew asserted that "hundreds, perhaps thousands, of lives will be saved if these unjust sentences are commuted to life imprisonment within the next few hours."

"Whatever happens," this source added, "these boys are already heroes in the eyes of the great heroes in the eyes of the great mass of Jewish youths If they are hanged they will be martyrs, and you can count on hundreds of young boys immediately turning to the violent element to avenge them."

There was speculation that the Stern group might follow the example of another underground group, the Irgun Zvai Leumi, and kidnap hostages—probably on a man-for-man basis.

There were unconfirmed reports in Tel Aviv that two other small ships, carrying between 200 and 300 unauthorized immigrants, had succeeded in reaching the Palestine coast this morning without being spotted.

Some 650 passengers aboard another ship, the Fenice, also awaiting deportation to Cyprus, sent a letter to the Palestine Government reviewing conditions in European displaced persons camps, their sixteen-day voyage, and reiterating pleas to enter Palestine.

SYNAGOGUE YIELDS ARMS IN TEL AVIV

British Searchers Also Find Fake Government Bonds 'Worth' $1,000,000

August 31st, 1946

By CLIFTON DANIEL

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, July 31—Among some bedding and religious literature in the basement of Tel Aviv's Great Synagogue a British Army chaplain discovered today an illegal arms cache, counterfeiters' equipment and forged Palestine Government bonds, whose face value totaled almost $1,000,000.

The man who had the key to the room was arrested and British Army engineers went to work with pickaxes to investigate what appeared to be a secret wall in the cellar of the synagogue, which is the largest in Palestine. The arms cache, which included 180 pieces of military uniform and insignia, was discovered during the house-to-house exploration of Tel Aviv being made by 12,000 troops and police in the most intensive manhunt in Palestine's history for members of Zionist terrorist gangs.

Three other arms caches, including quantities of home-made bombs and mines, were discovered in houses during the day. A communiqué said that 466 persons had been detained from the thousands screened during the day. The detained persons included thirteen described as terrorist suspects.

Chaplain Describes Find

The story of the arms cache in the synagogue was told tonight by Chaplain W. H. C. Hyde in an official press release by the Palestine Government. As the synagogue was a place of worship, he said, "I came along to see that the formalities were observed" during the search.

"We found the place locked, so I went to find the keys and, while I was away, my driver, who was looking around, saw a kit bag and one or two boxes which aroused his suspicions," he added. After the synagogue was opened, the chaplain found an iron door to what had been an air-raid shelter. When the keys to this door were found there was revealed a collection of uniforms, including twelve American Army shirts; kit bags, small arms and ammunition, including dumdum bullets, all mixed up with bedding and religious literature. Watched by military and police officials and the Mayor of Tel Aviv, engineers began a search with mine detectors and drills. Eliezer Neuman, who had the key to the shelter, was arrested.

The communiqué said that the arms cache included nine pistols, sixteen Sten-gun magazines, four sub-machine gun magazines, 850 rounds of .45-caliber ammunition, a radio transmitter, 20,000 forged Palestine Government bearer bonds with a face value of £10 Palestinian each, three blocks for printing bonds, and other items. Private houses yielded 186 wooden box mines made in Palestine, 478 bombs and grenades of various types, forty home-made Molotov cocktails for use against armor, and numerous items of military and sabotage equipment.

It began to appear that the military authorities' suspicions that the "tough tower" of Tel Aviv was the main base headquarters and supply dump of terrorist forces, were paying off.

2d Refugee Ship Arrives

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

HAIFA, July 31—The arrival of the second refugee ship, carrying 550 persons, within forty-eight hours brought to 3,200 today the number of illegal Jewish immigrants held here. A near-by camp holds 1,200 more immigrants for whom immigration certificates are not yet available.

The third Jewish refugee ship within three days was reported to be approaching Palestine. The 3,200 immigrants who arrived in two ships this week were not removed immediately to clearance camps, as is usually the custom, but were kept on board the ships in the harbor. The Jewish Agency's demand that these people be immediately taken ashore in view of the crowded and unsanitary conditions on the ships was refused. The third ship is believed to carry 2,000 passengers.

Convicted terrorist Betty Knouth, imprisoned, escaped, imprisoned, escaped, imprisoned, seen above circa 1940-1950.

101 JEWS ARRESTED IN PALESTINE HUNT

Two Wounded as British Comb Two Cities for Bombers—Rigid Curfew Lifted

SABOTEUR REPORTED SLAIN

Zionist Official Asserts Most Jews Deplore Outbreaks Linked to Conference

September 11th, 1946

JERUSALEM, Sept. 10 (AP)—British troops arrested 101 Jews and wounded two today during an intensive hunt through Tel Aviv and near-by Ramat Gan for saboteurs responsible for the killing of three persons and injuries to at least twelve.

More than one-third of Palestine's Jews were under house arrest because of a strict curfew most of the day.

Fifty-four Jews were arrested in the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv where two men were wounded in "active resistance to the searchers," a communiqué said.

Forty-seven persons were arrested in the search among Remat Gan's 5,000 inhabitants, the announcement said. The hunt there unearthed illegal pamphlets, a Sten gun and magazine and some "War Department training manuals."

The announcement said that troops who had searched Sadoth Yam, south of Haifa, detained four women "for refusing to give particulars about themselves."

The rigid curfew in Tel Aviv was lifted after sixteen hours. In Ramat Gan, which had been completely cordoned, the search was believed to have been ended. Tension eased somewhat tonight.

8,000 Troops Police Cities

Eight thousand troops of the Scottish Gordons and the Sixth Airborne Division had poured into the two cities after the series of bombings and shootings.

A British major, identified by authorities as Maj. Desmond Doran, security officer for Tel Aviv and Jaffa, who had been scheduled to return to England this week, an unidentified British sergeant and an Arab constable were killed yesterday. Authorities said at least one attacker was killed.

Officials blamed the Zionist underground for the bombings and shootings, in which buildings were wrecked and rail lines cut in at least fifty places.

Irgun Zvai Leumi, second largest Zionist underground organization, acknowledged responsibility for the Sunday night assaults on rail lines. Authorities generally held the same organization responsible for the fatal attacks in Tel Aviv and northern Palestine.

A spokesman for the Jewish Agency declared that "the bulk of Palestinian Jewry and Jews all over the world are profoundly disturbed at the recrudescence of violence in Palestine and the loss of life which has resulted from it, particularly as the new outbreaks have occurred at the time of the opening of the London conference" on Palestine.

The official, who said he spoke also in the name of Vaad Leumi, the Jewish National Council, declared that the Agency was taking a "firm but moderate stand" and would continue to seek "a realistic basis for an agreed settlement on the future of Palestine."

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JEWISH BANDS ROB 3 PALESTINE BANKS

Four Slain, Including 3 Arabs — 5 Terrorists Held — Tel Aviv, Jaffa Under Curfew

September 13th, 1946

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Sept. 13 — Five terrorists were arrested tonight, one in possession of £500 [$2,000], an automatic pistol and hand grenades, in a search of Tel Aviv and adjoining Jaffa for Jewish terrorists, reported to belong to Irgun Zvai Leumi, who had held up three banks earlier in the day. [Press services said police believed the Jaffa robbers were members of the Stern group.]

An Arab constable was killed in a gun battle with the bank robbers. Three Arabs and three Jews were in hospitals with gun wounds. Unofficial sources said one terrorist had been shot dead. [Press services reported that four persons, three of them Arabs, had been killed in a Jaffa bank holdup.]

One terrorist party entered the Ottoman Bank in Tel Aviv during the busiest part of the week, held up everyone inside and escaped with £5,000.

About the same time the Jaffa branch of the Ottoman Bank and of the Arab Bank were attacked.

"Five terrorists were arrested tonight, one in possession of $2,000, an automatic pistol and hand grenades ..."

In the Ottoman Bank the terrorists fired a pistol and three small grenades, but no one was hurt except the English manager, who was shot in a leg. The robbers stuffed the money into a sack and placed an explosive charge against a strongroom door.

A police unit arrived and the robbers had to fight their way out, leaving the stolen money behind and the strongroom unopened.

Searches by the British police and troops in cordoned-off parts of Tel Aviv and Jaffa netted a number of suspects in addition to the five terrorists officially reported to have been arrested.

Arab Forces Mass

JERUSALEM, Sept. 13 (AP)—Arabs appeared aroused over the killings in today's hold-ups. One Arab Government official warned that "there is every possibility that tonight will be a night of bloodshed." As he spoke nearly 3,000 members of Najdada, Arab army, assembled in a field south of Jaffa to participate in a parade commemorating the Moslem holiday of Nebi Reuben.

The Arabs held their observance and disbanded without incident two hours after sunset. Another Moslem demonstration was believed scheduled for tomorrow. Tension in Jaffa was still high, with about 8,000 British troops lining the streets with fixed bayonets to prevent a possible Arab mass reprisal against Jews.

Jaffa, predominantly Arab, and Tel Aviv, all-Jewish, were put under partial curfew. Strict meas-

Hashomer, or "The Watchman," was a Jewish youth group, a Socialist Zionist movement, founded as a military defensive unit in Palestine in 1909. Hashomer units evolved in Palestine from their origination in Poland and Russia and were modeled after the Hitler youth groups that had been so successfully propagandized by Hitler's well-oiled indoctrination machine. The Zionist's waisted no time indoctrinating their own youth using Hashomer and other youth organizations to systematically mis-educate their young adherents. Pictured above is a Zionist Hashomer youth group in Palestine in 1912.

The Altalena off of the Tel Aviv coast loaded with over 800 illegal aliens on May 18th, 1947, after it was intercepted in Palestinian waters by the British Navy. The ship was at sea with its 800 illegal passengers for four weeks. During the boarding operations there were no injuries. The disembarkation took place without incident. The Illegal Jewish immigrants were sent for deportation. The ship was then fired at and set afire by the British Navy as Jewish immigrants watch. The ship burned to the water-line and sank.

ures were planned.

Two Arab civilians and an Arab policeman were shot down in Jaffa. One attacker was killed. Another was wounded seriously by an Arab who stabbed him in the back while the man was firing a machine gun toward a police station.

No violence accompanied the Tel Aviv robbery.

September 21st, 1946

NEW ZEALAND KEEPS BAN

Parliamentary Body Opposes Change in Immigration Law

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WELLINGTON, N. Z., Sept. 21—New Zealand will not let down its immigration barriers to any extent if the Government adopts the policy recommended by the Parliamentary population committee's report, published today.

The committee urged that the main increase in population come from the natural increase and that immigration should not make a major contribution. The report said agricultural workers were not needed from abroad.

The committee refused to recommend that the Government admit Jewish refugees.

2 DIE IN HAIFA FIGHT AS JEWS FREE 208

Palestinians Raid Detention Camp, Overpower Guards and Release Illegal Entrants

October 10th, 1946

VIOLENCE HITS TEL AVIV

Several Hurt Resisting British Search—Attlee Stands Off Questioner in Commons

By A. C. SEDGWICK

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Oct. 10—One British constable was reported shot to death in ambush while one Arab police constable and a Jewish constable were said to have been wounded in new incidents today in the struggle of Jewish elements against the British White Paper policy.

The police version of what took place differs in no great respect from the story picked up from other sources that may be considered reliable. It follows.

Jews, armed with rifles, pistols and daggers, attacked in considerable strength the Athlit clearance camp near Haifa shortly after 1 o'clock this morning. Four temporary additional constables on guard were beaten with rifle butts, bound and gagged. One of them was seriously hurt. A Jewish temporary additional constable was likewise bound but left uninjured.

The police version goes on to state that the attackers cut an avenue in the perimeter of wire and severed telephone connections after which occupants, numbering 208 illegal immigrants, were released while eleven others were bound and gagged, one of the latter being a Christian who died from suffocation. The party then escaped in the direction of Mount Carmel.

Fired on From Ambush

Later a police party was fired on from ambush by Jews with rifles, sub-machineguns and grenades. It was here that the British constable, Gordon Hill, was killed and fellow-officers wounded. The police seized nine lorries with their drivers.

Afterward near the place of ambush the police intercepted a party of about fifty Jews, subsequently found to be illegal immigrants, near the Jewish colony of Mesher Yajour on the Carmel range. They arrested nine, the remainder escaping into the hills.

The police were engaged in ascertaining the identity of the nine arrested when a large party of Jews appeared on the scene armed with picks. These men forced the police to give up the arrested persons. The police forebore to use firearms.

Early this morning in the Montefiori quarter of Tel Aviv the police threw a cordon around the premises they were searching for terrorists. They seized three suspects and interrogated a number of the inhabitants.

The cordon was assailed by a crowd throwing stones. Later, while the police were withdrawing with their suspects, a large number of persons arrived as reinforcements in buses from adjoining neighborhoods and tried to keep the police from departing. Several of the police and soldiers were injured during the fracas.

The Jewish detainees at Athlit arrived last month on the ships Mataroa and Ville d'Oran from Europe but there were some ten Iraqi Jews among them who, according to Jewish sources, would face long terms of imprisonment if returned to their homes because leaving Iraq without permission is said to be considered a criminal act.

Schoolboys Join Struggle

Tension, particularly in Haifa, was reported this evening. Hundreds of Jewish schoolboys were said to have set out for the Carmel hills in buses and trucks, while it was reported that British paratroopers had been dropped in the hills to prevent trouble that might result if a junction were made between the schoolboys and the escaped detainees.

The High Commissioner today issued a communiqué "after careful investigation on the spot" concerning Saturday's incidents at Kfar Giladi that marked the beginning of hostilities.

The communiqué made no mention of the allegation, previously contained in the police statement, that the settlers fired on the Trans-Jordan Frontier Force patrol but at the same time it purported to establish as a fact the allegation denied by the Jewish press generally to the effect that there had been an attempt to disarm the Arab troopers.

Weizmann Gesture Reported

JERUSALEM, Oct. 10 (Reuter)—Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, will resign from the presidency if the British Government decides unfavorably to the Jewish cause in Palestine, it is understood here.

David Ben Gurion, chairman of the Jewish Executive, expected back from London next week, is mentioned here as a likely successor to Dr. Weizmann should he resign.

Attlee Withholds Statement

LONDON, Oct. 10 (U.P.)—Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee stood off demands again today for a statement on British policy toward Palestine.

Asked in the House of Commons whether he could provide information about "his conversations on

Palestine with President Truman," Mr. Attlee said he had no statement to make now.

"In view of President Truman's recent statement, is it not time that this House should be informed?" a member asked.

"Yes," Mr. Attlee replied, "I think in due time a statement will be made."

At right is the scene at an Arab hillside village on a Muslim Sabbath in Palestine, Jerusalem, Friday, March 31st, 1948, when two families who had split the village into rival camps with a blood feud for the past two years set aside their differences, so that they might wage war against the Jews instead of each other. They're shown forming a rough circle with members of one family on the left, members of the other on the right, and Arab soldier volunteers to mediate the truce on one knee and standing at the center in the background. Afterwards the male members of the two family factions advanced toward one another and shook hands. The feud, which began with the killing of a member of one family, was the one of the first in Palestine thus formally set aside to promote a cohesive resistance against what became the inevitable theft of their land and the mass murder and mass exodus of these people pictured and their extended families. The truce was solemnized by a feast as is a tribal custom and shortly after this image was taken the Nakba began and has never ended. Zionist terrorism reached a fevered and crazed pitch similar, but not nearly as brutal nor hidden, as the recent public assassination of innocent protesters. That this was tolerated by the United States, Britain and the rest of the western plantations is unimaginable, but of course it's the case. Only two democratic senators spoke up and urged other democrats to speak out too. I haven't heard more.

October 13th, 1946

Police Unearth Arms

JERUSALEM, Oct. 13 (Reuters) —Palestine police using mine detectors discovered a large quantity of weapons in a wooden hut during a four-hour search of Tiberias, on the Sea of Galilee, it was officially said today. Among the weapons were 171 cut-down beer cans containing detonators, almost 400 hand grenades and ammunition of assorted types, the statement added.

The Zionist Left-wing organization Hashomir Hatzair (Young Guard) distributed pamphlets in Tel Aviv calling on the Jewish community in Palestine to take "active measures" against Jewish terrorist organizations.

PALESTINE BLAST KILLS ONE, HURTS 3

Arab Policeman and British Troops Victims of New Station Bombing

November 10th, 1946

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

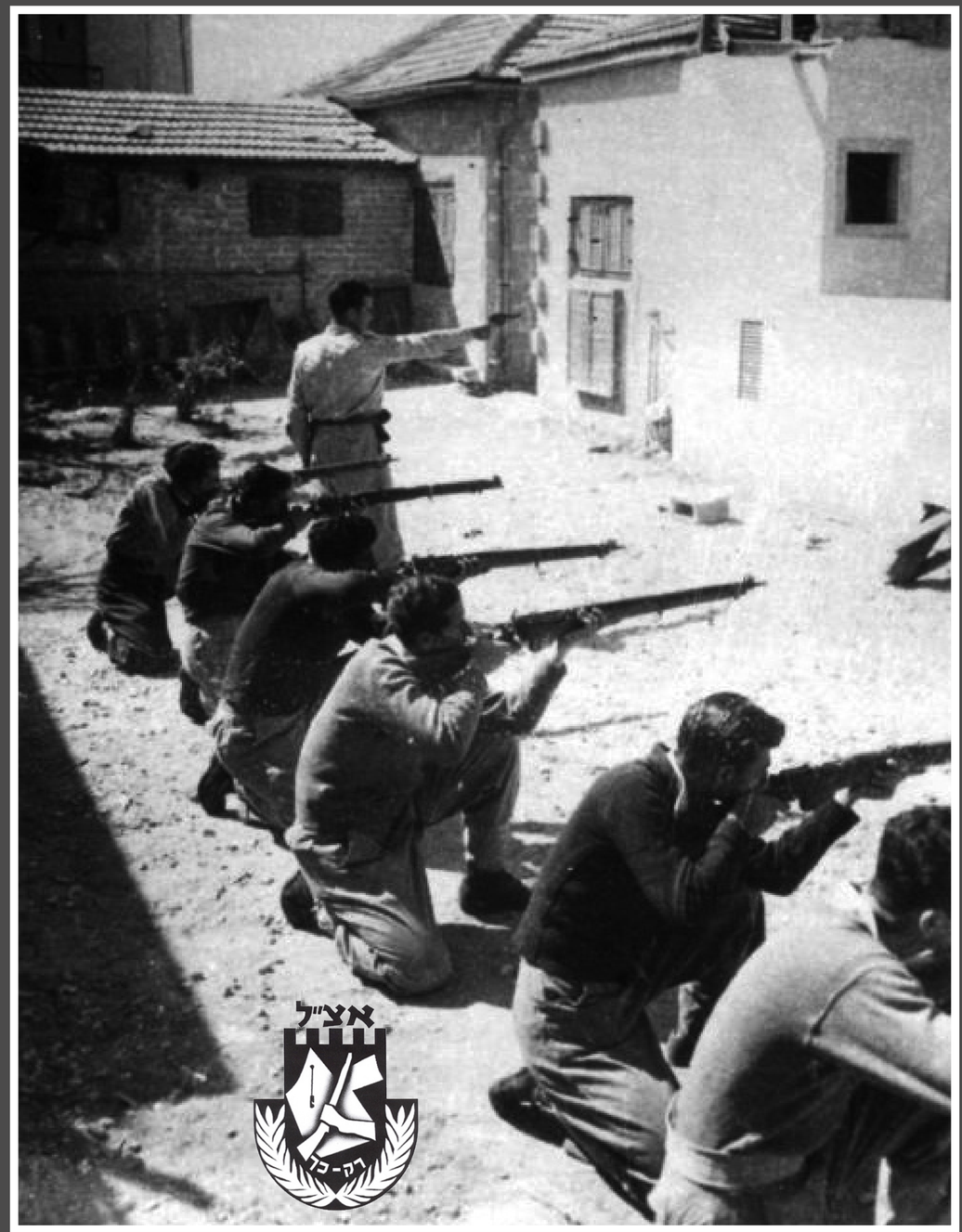
JERUSALEM Nov. 10—One Arab supernumerary police constable was killed and three British soldiers were injured today when gelignite-packed suitcases placed by terrorists at a small railway station north of the Lydda junction exploded and destroyed the station.

Another British policeman of those who were lured into a booby-trap ambush yesterday morning died today. His death brought to four the number of Britons killed in this outrage.

Today, soon after a passenger train had passed the Lydda junction, three Zionists drove up in a black police-type truck, carried some suitcases into the station and, holding the stationmaster pistol point, ordered him not to move. One man covered the suitcases with a large piece of cloth inscribed in Hebrew: "Dangerous —Bombs." The men then drove away, the stationmaster evacuated his family and warned people near by to keep clear.

The three soldiers and the Arab constable tied a rope around the suitcases to pull them outside. The vibration detonated the explosives, completely destroying the station's main building and extensively damaging others. All track communications and signals were cut.

Observers believe the continuing outbreaks are leading to a showdown between the central Jewish institutions and the defiant outlaw groups.



Irgun Z'vai Leumi terrorists practice on July 8th, 1947 in Jerusalem, Palestine with the Irgun logo pictured above

Threat to Montgomery in London

LONDON, Monday, Nov. 11 (AP) —Scotland Yard said early today a telephoned threat was made Wednesday against the life of Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Imperial Chief of Staff.

The Yard completed redoubling its vigilance over all Government offices and important personages to meet warnings of violence by what was described officially as an underground Palestine organization.

It was reported an anonymous caller told one of Field Marshal Montgomery's aides that "unless the British Government's policy on Palestine is immediately changed, Field Marshal Montgomery will be assassinated." Scotland Yard confirmed such a threatening call had been made and was one reason for its announcement concerning special precautions against what it described as "Jewish terrorists."

King George VI, Prime Minister Attlee and other leaders at a war memorial ceremony here yesterday were more heavily guarded than during the war following a reported threat by Irgun Zvai Leumi, Jewish underground organization, to extend to Britain what Scotland Yard has called the organization's terrorism.

PALESTINE POLICE RIOT AGAINST JEWS

Beat Up Passers-By, Fire Into Houses and Shout Epithets in Rage Over Killings

November 18th, 1946

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Nov. 18—A half-dozen Jewish civilians were injured tonight in sea-front brawls in Tel Aviv when about forty British constables of the "tough" Palestine police mobile force wildly raced through the streets shouting "Jewish murderers" and other epithets. One of the injured was reported to be in a serious condition.

Enraged by the killing last night of four Britons, the policemen fired through windows and mauled passers-by. They smashed the bar of the fashionable Promenade Hotel. It was reported that a man in the lounge had been shot.

Forty minutes later a large force of military and other police arrived and removed the rioters.

An eyewitness said the rioting policemen, none of whom was above the rank of sergeant, turned over parked Jewish-owned automobiles, even those that held passengers.

All Tel Aviv cafes were hurriedly closed and the streets around the riot area emptied as alarmed citizens ran indoors.

Tonight's uproar came in reprisal for what British policemen felt was an unrequited terrorist campaign against them. Apparently feeling that official measures were not severe enough, they supposedly took the law into their hands.

Army authorities said no troops took part in tonight's disturbance. Tel Aviv is off limits for troops. Entering it against general orders is a court-martial offense.

A semi-official announcement said an investigation was being made into the manner in which civilians received cuts and bruises following the killing of four Britons last night by the mining of a police truck outside Tel Aviv.

Two more attacks against the Palestine railroad system's main line occurred today. A British soldier was slightly injured when an armored patrol car was derailed south of the Lydda junction by a mine about daybreak. A premature explosion of a mine while it was being dismantled on the line north of Lydda caused serious injuries to a Royal Engineers officer and soldier. Another officer suffered a lesser injury.

Jews Hurt Clashing With Police

JERUSALEM, Nov. 18 (U.P.)—Troops marching through Tel Aviv today to cordon off an explosion area were the targets of sporadic shooting and stone throwing by the city's Jewish residents. The demonstrations brought on clashes with police. By noon at least a score of wounded and injured Jews had been admitted to hospitals, including one underground member who was shot while posting Irgun Zvai Leumi leaflets in the street.

Air Marshal Viscount Tedder arrived in Palestine from London by plane amid the attacks and drove immediately to RAF headquarters in Jerusalem to confer with Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker.

STONE THROWING IN PALESTINE

As you can tell from the article above, in Palestine in the early 1900s Zionist Jews employed throwing stones, for the same reasons that the Palestinians throw stones and rocks today. It's all they have. The Zionists were, most of them, unarmed and the Palestinians today, the vast majority of them, are also unarmed. However Israel has one of the largest, most well equipped military's in the world and they're a nuclear armed state and a wealthy country whereas over 80% of Palestinians live under the global poverty level because Israel enforces a slurry of laws that make employment impossible. It's not just that Palestinians can't access PayPal, they can't access anything. Even leaving the country for a life-saving surgical procedure not available in Palestine, or to attend an Ivy League college on a full scholarship, or just to leave the country to go anywhere, anywhere else, is most often impossible for the people of Gaza and Palestine.

Named Acting President Of American Zionists

Dr. Israel Goldstein

The appointment of Dr. Israel Goldstein, rabbi of Congregation B'Nai Jeshurun, Eighty-eighth Street west of Broadway, as acting president of the Zionist Organization of America, was announced yesterday by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, president. Dr. Goldstein, a former president of the organization, will serve in the absence of Dr. Silver, who left yesterday for Basle, Switzerland, as head of the American Zionist delegation to the World Zionist Congress which opens on Dec. 9.

THE Advertising Department of The New York Times regrets the necessity for the omission of 16 columns of advertisements from today's issue.

JERUSALEM BLAST WRECKS TAX OFFICE

Explosive Is 'Delivered' in a Barrow—Boy Warns Staff—One Listed Dead, 4 Hurt

November 20th, 1946

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Nov. 20 — The novel device of "delivering" explosives on a peddler's push barrow was adopted this afternoon by three Jewish terrorists who caused the wrecking of the entire forepart of the Palestine administration's income tax offices in central Jerusalem.

[The British Army took over the Palestine Railway system at midnight Wednesday, instituting stringent precautionary measures to prevent further Jewish underground sabotage of rail facilities, the United Press reported.]

A temporary Jewish constable, named Benzion Shaulos, died of injuries sustained in the explosion. He had tried to prevent the bomb peddlers from entering the building.

Four others, a British police sergeant and three civilians, were wounded.

In what appears to be an intensified campaign of political violence now centered upon Jerusalem itself three "peddlers" arrived at the offices and told the Arab constable on sentry duty that they had a package for the office. As

the sentry refused to admit them, the office being closed, they drew revolvers, struck him on the head and over the arms and then pushed their barrow inside.

A smart messenger boy who saw the incident called the police, who had the building evacuated.

Policemen then tried to remove the wooden box of explosives with grappling irons, but it jammed inside the entrance. They then fired shots at the package and the resultant explosion wrecked the interior of the building.

[The Jewish underground organization Irgun Zvai Leumi asserted in a broadcast Wednesday night over a secret radio. that it was responsible for the explosion, The Associated Press reported.]

Hunt for Suspects Launched

As gangs of workmen tonight under arc lamps were clearing the debris of the blasted income tax office troops and police in northern Jerusalem, three miles distant, were searching Jewish working class quarters for possible suspects in the terrorist attack.

The Mayor of Tel Aviv, Israel Rokach, tonight denounced terrorism in the strongest terms and demanded that the Jewish public rise against it. He was supported by two Labor party spokesmen, one of whom suggested an all-Palestine conference to consider means to combat political violence.

The Mayor of Haifa, Shabbatai Levy, was also authorized by the mixed Arab-Jewish Municipal Commission today to appeal to the public to assist the authorities in suppressing terrorist outbreaks.

Moshe Shertok, head of the Jewish Agency's political department, at a war veterans meeting in Tel Aviv, tonight, similarly demanded that Palestine Jews rise against any unrestrained political warfare.

Mining Suspect Seized

JERUSALEM, Nov. 20 (AP)—The Government announced today that a suspect arrested in connection with last night's twin mine explosion in St. George Street had been identified as a fugitive from a lunatic asylum. The two mines, which apparently were intended to wreck an armored police car, did virtually no damage.

Haganah, Jewish underground organization, announced through its secret "Voice of Israel" radio station that it would continue to press its announced fight against extreme activities of other underground Jewish groups.

Shertok Sees Cunningham

JERUSALEM, Nov. 20 (Reuters)—For the first time since his release from Latrun detention camp with other Jewish leaders on Nov. 5 Moshe Shertok, head of the political department of the Jewish Agency, met Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan G. Cunningham, Palestine High Commissioner, at Government House today. They had a long conversation, it was announced, but no statement concerning the talk is to be issued.

It is understood that Mr. Shertok's visit to Government House was at the invitation of Sir Alan.

Fishman Fears Cyprus Deaths

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters) — Six thousand visaless Jewish immigrants for Palestine now in Cyprus detention camps are "suffering" from hunger and "will not live long under prevailing conditions," said Rabbi J. L. Fishman, chief executive of the Jewish Agency, after his arrival at London airport today.

Rabbi Fishman, who was recently released from a Palestine internment camp and who will attend the Zionist conference in Switzerland Dec. 9, declared:

"It is very urgent to have the Jews transferred to Palestine as soon as possible.

"The Jewish Agency hoped that under the new schedule for immigration, introduced Nov. 15, more Jews would be permitted to go into Palestine, but of the 1,500 allowed to enter, only 300 came from Cyprus."

Marshal of the Royal Air Force Baron Tedder, Britain's Chief of Air Staff, has left Jerusalem after visiting several RAF stations in Palestine and Trans-Jordan, it was announced here today.

Airborne Troops to Stay

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Nov. 20—A statement made by a spokesman of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem that the British Sixth Airborne Division was being withdrawn from Palestine was categorically denied by the War Office here today.

The War Office added that it had no comment to make on the Jewish spokesman's reference to possible reprisals by the airborne men.

These Russian and Polish fanatic Zionist terrorists managed to wreak havoc across Palestine and the uncounted dead, the total number of Arab deaths, will never be known.

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3 JEWISH VESSELS REPORTED AT HAIFA

Montgomery in Jerusalem to Inspect Defenses—Heavy Guards Posted in City

November 28th, 1946

JERUSALEM, Nov. 28 (U.P.) — Three Jewish refugee ships were reported off Haifa tonight, trying to run the Navy-Air Force blockade in a new challenge to British immigration policy.

The report was received as Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, arrived under an extraordinary security guard for a swift survey of the Palestine defense situation.

About 4,000 unauthorized immigrants already held in ships at Haifa awaited a decision by the Supreme Court at 9 A. M. tomorrow on a habeas corpus petition to prevent their deportation to Cyprus. About 6,000 are now interned in Cyprus camps.

It was generally believed the Supreme Court would refuse the habeas corpus petition and that the 4,000 Jews concerned would be sent immediately to Cyprus.

Cyprus Believed Crowded

If reports proved correct that

Pictured here, a young Jewish boy (center) and an illegal alien, wounded and bloody after a fight with British soldiers on board the refugee ship Knesset Israel, passes a line of soldiers to board the prison troopship Empire Heywood on December 4th, 1946, in Haifa. The Empire Heywood was one of three vessels on which illegal aliens from the refugee ships were deported.

three more refugee ships were en route with thousands more, well-informed quarters here believed the facilities of Cyprus to receive refugees would be overwhelmed and a change in British plans might be forced.

There have been some indications that the authorities were getting ready to change the policy of shipping immigrants to Cyprus and then bringing them back under the immigration quota.

Field Marshal Montgomery's arrival was unannounced. Late this morning trucks suddenly started dropping troops armed with machine guns along the route from Lydda Airport to the Government "fortress" area. Officers in jeeps patrolled the route.

Several buildings in which underground agents might have hidden were closely searched.

As the Chief of Staff sped through the city at 12:45 P. M. to the heavily guarded Government area, all traffic was halted.

The entire security guard will remain on the alert until Field Marshal Montgomery leaves, probably late tomorrow.

As soon as he arrived, he began conferences with Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, High Commissioner for Palestine, and Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, Palestine commander in chief.

General tension was increased because of threats from the underground that reprisals might be made if the Supreme Court refused the habeas corpus writ.

War of Nerves Foreseen

Shortly after Field Marshal Montgomery's arrival a warning was telephoned to the newspaper Palestine Post that bombs had been planted in the immigration building. It was evacuated hastily but a search revealed no explosives.

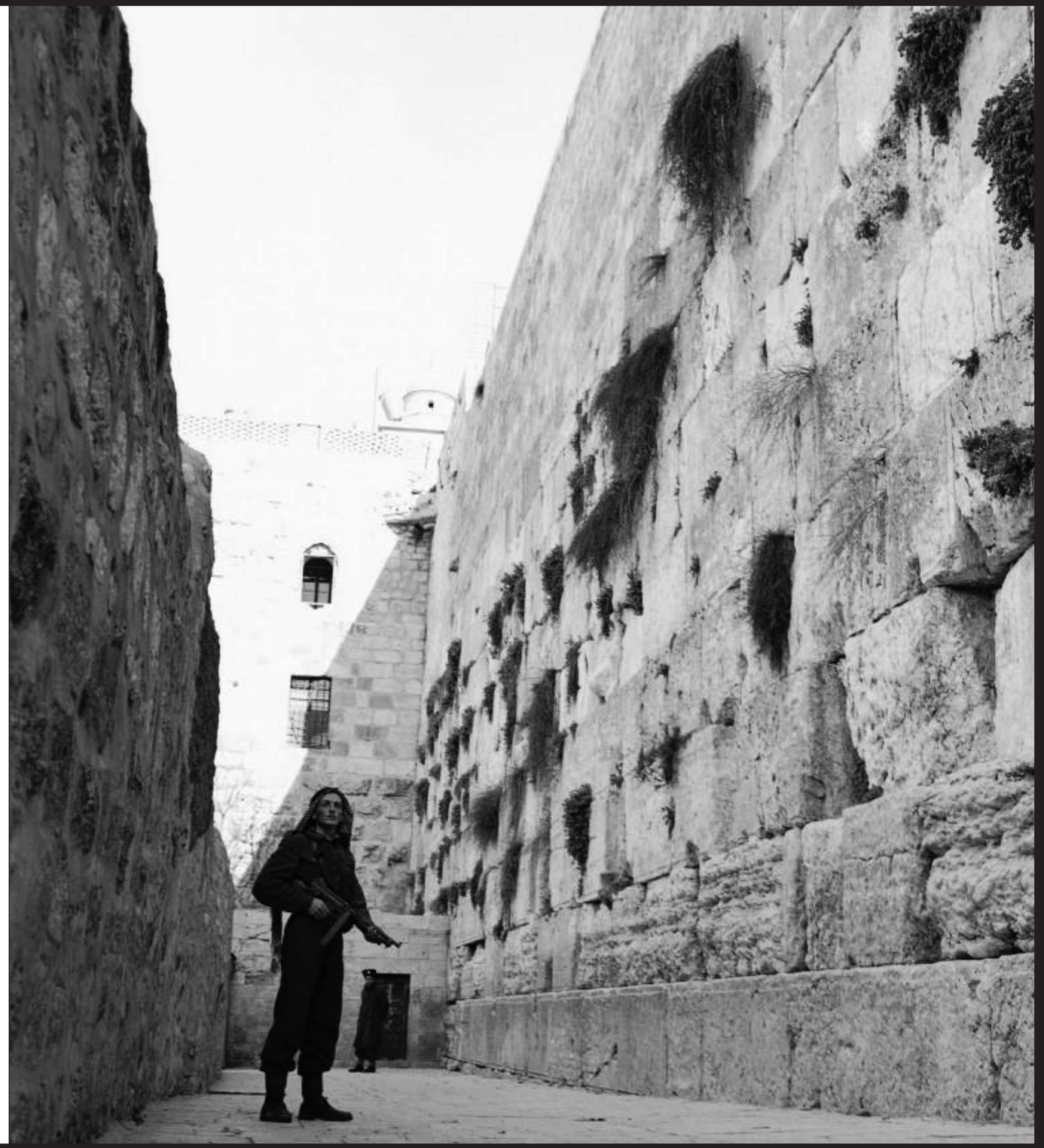
It was generally believed that any reprisals for the predicted refusal of the habeas corpus writ would take the form of road mining and nerve-war moves, like the immigration building phone call, rather than an attempt on Field Marshal Montgomery's life, but authorities took no chances.

The Stern and Irgun Zvai Leumi underground groups announced last night that they would stop attacking railroads for the present so that farmers could get the citrus fruit crop to market.

Shoshana Beilin, a Jewish girl in her twenties, succeeded in running the immigration blockade today. She did it the hard way—she jumped from the British ship Ocean Vigor, swam two miles and was picked up exhausted ten miles north of Haifa.

The girl was so tired she could not talk and she was taken to a hospital.

Originally from Poland, she came to Palestine in the refugee ship Knesseth Israel, one of three ships in the habeas corpus proceedings to be decided. Before she was taken aboard the Ocean Vigor she jumped overboard from the Knesseth Israel and was picked up.



An Arab, armed with a sub-machine gun, stands guard at Jerusalem's Wailing Wall on February 23rd, 1948. Jews are being kept from this centuries-old holy place by Arabs for the first time since the Arab-Jewish disorders in 1939.

PALESTINE BLASTS KILL FIVE BRITONS

Two Jeeps Blown Up by Mines —Arab League Seeks Mufti's Return to Palestine

December 2nd, 1946

JERUSALEM, Dec. 2 (Reuters) —Four British soldiers of the Sixth Airborne Division were killed today when their jeep was blown up by a mine on the Jerusalem-Jaffa road.

Another British soldier was killed and two others were wounded when their jeep struck a mine near Hadera, midway between Tel Aviv and Haifa, a report from Tel Aviv said. British military authorities in Jerusalem were not able to confirm this report.

The mine on the Jerusalem-Jaffa road was electrically detonated. It contained an anti-personnel bomb filled with rivets.

Terrorists Elude Police

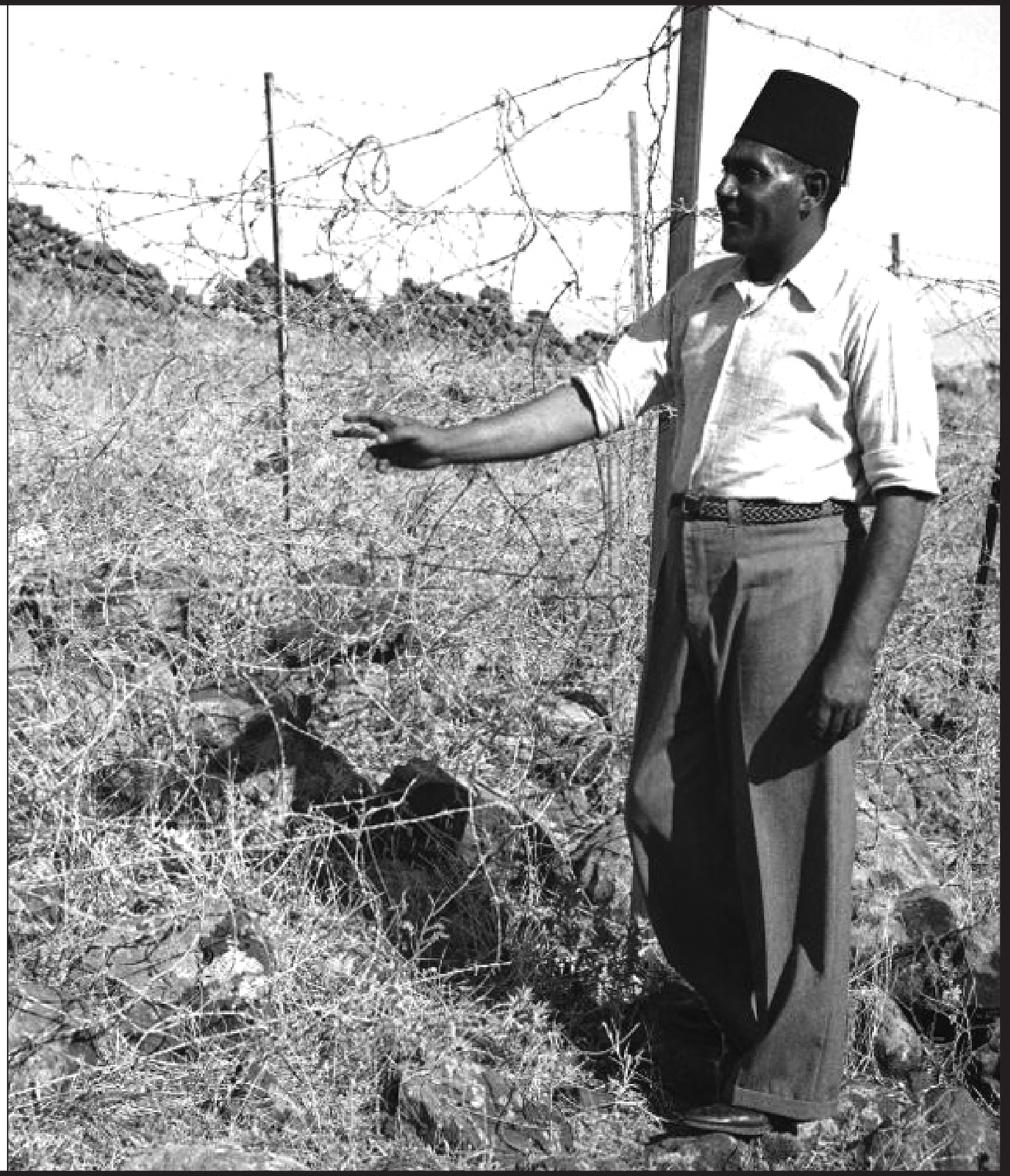
JERUSALEM, Dec. 2 (U.P.)—An official account said the mine that killed four soldiers had been placed at a sharp bend in the road to Tel Aviv, apparently last night. A cable led from the mine 150 yards up a dry, stone-covered slope to a wooden box with an electric push button. The cable was hidden by stones.

Three of the soldiers were killed immediately. Two bodies were charred in the wreckage and the third was hurled against a boulder on the slope. The fourth victim died soon after others in the column reached the blazing jeep.

Mounted policemen raced to the scene in an attempt to trap the perpetrators along rocky mountain paths, but the terrorists vanished into the maze of Jerusalem alleys.

Irgun Zvai Leumi, Zionist underground force, asserted it had caused the explosion.

The General Postoffice in Jerusalem had a false telephone warning that the building had been mined. Streets were showered with pamphlets warning the British: "You will pay with blood."



A Palestinian, at right, stands behind a section of a "*Tegart's Iron Wall*" in Palestine on March 10th, 1938. Sir Charles Tegart was the retired Police Commissioner of another British colony, Calcutta. In view of his expertise the British government asked him to travel to Palestine on their behalf, which he did, and he became an advisor to the colonial police in Mandatory Palestine. The fence was erected to keep marauding Arabs out of Palestine, control the movement of insurgents, goods and weapons. The fencing consisted of three strands of barbed wire on angular wire supports. stretching for 60 miles along the Syrian and Lebanon borders and at a cost of 1 million dollars—8.5 million US 2018 dollars—the fence was a joke, and wholly ineffective. However, he did, and in due course, suggest and oversee the construction of 77 reinforced concrete police stations and posts which could be defended against attacking Jews and Muslims. Tegart also supervised brutal interrogations of Arabs.

JEWISH ZIONIST TERROR

SIXTH BRITON SLAIN IN PALESTINE BLAST

December 3rd, 1946

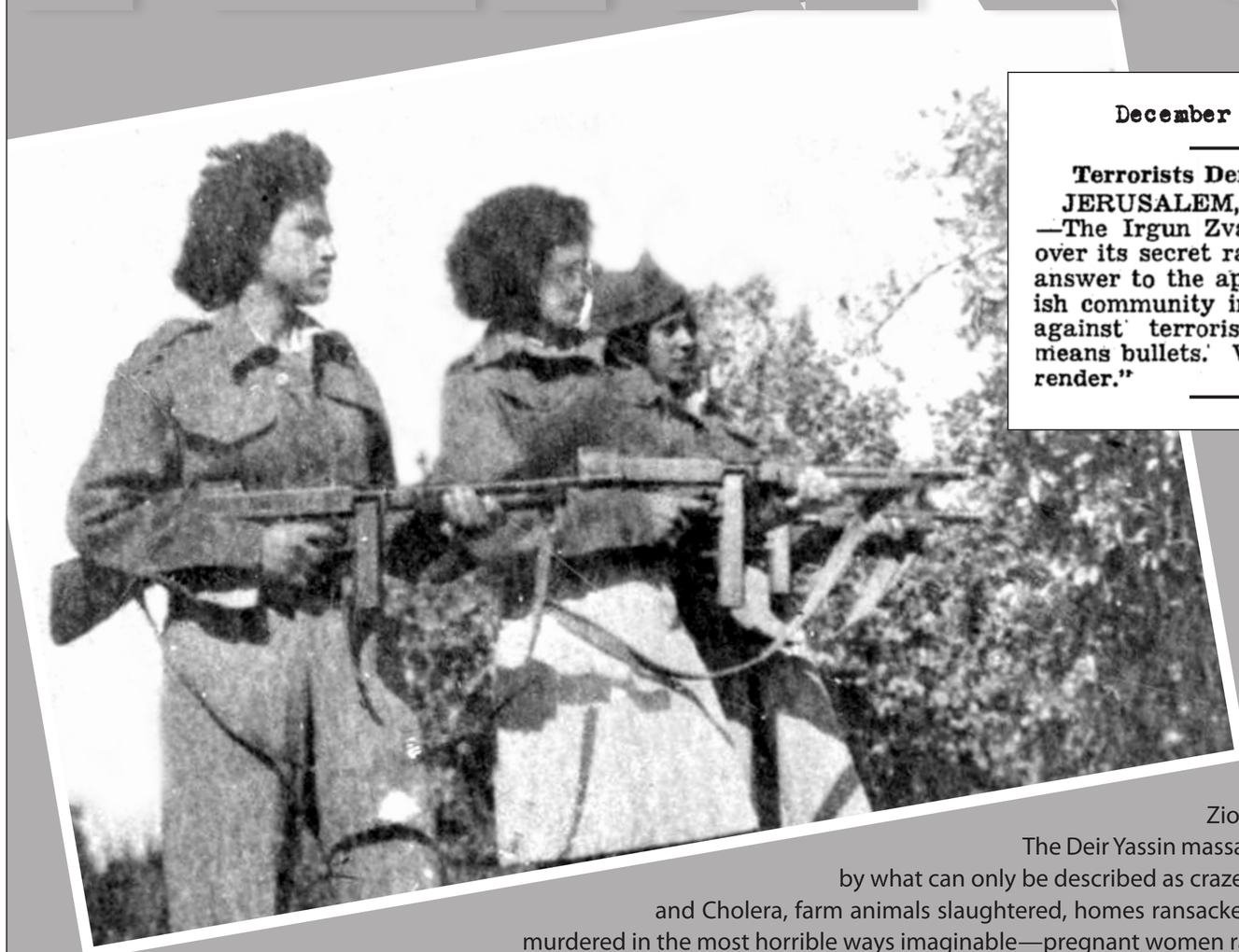
Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Dec. 3—A British soldier was killed and two were injured, one seriously, when land mines were blown up tonight in northern Palestine by members of Irgun Zvai Leumi, Zionist underground organization. The explosion wrecked two jeeps, one on the Mount Carmel-Haifa road and the other in Raanana, south of Haifa, in which the soldiers were riding.

These incidents brought the total British Army casualties in the last forty-eight hours to six killed and four wounded.

Stern band gunmen tried to hold up a messenger carrying a £7,000 [$28,000] payroll for the Polish emigré army. A fifteen-minute gun battle took place on the steps of Barclay's Bank when three armed terrorists snatched the money bag under cover of smoke bombs. They were engaged by police armored cars. One terrorist was killed, the other two were wounded. The gunman who snatched the bag suffered abdominal wounds and dropped the loot.

A half-hour later six armed men carried a wounded accomplice into the Hadassah Hospital, forced a surgeon to perform an operation and then carried off their comrade, who was later described by the doctor to be in a serious condition.



December 4th, 1946

Terrorists Defy Cunningham

JERUSALEM, Dec. 4 (Reuters) —The Irgun Zvai Leumi declared over its secret radio tonight: "Our answer to the appeal [to the Jewish community in Palestine to act against terrorism] is short. It means bullets. We will never surrender."

"IT MEANS BULLETS."

At left, female Lehi and/or Stern Gang Jewish Zionist terrorists prepare for what else? Terrorism. The Deir Yassin massacre, and 100s of others like it, were perpetrated by what can only be described as crazed lunatics. Wells were poisoned with Small Pox and Cholera, farm animals slaughtered, homes ransacked and raised, businesses plundered and Arabs murdered in the most horrible ways imaginable—pregnant women raped, gutted, infants slaughtered and worse ...

ZIONISTS ASSAULT BARKER RESIDENCE

Attempt on Palestine General's Home Fails—Four Killed in Several Other Incidents

December 5th, 1946

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Dec. 5—In hour-long concerted attacks, Zionist terrorists struck tonight in at least four different parts of Jerusalem.

An Arab Legion guard tent on the grounds of the residence of the military commander, Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, was attacked with hand grenades but a brick wall outside the tent saved the legionnaires. General Barker was absent. A second blow was directed at the Moustashpa police station, which was attacked on Saturday night.

Extensive mining went on in various parts of the city. A Royal Air Force truck blew up when it struck a road mine, and a taxi believed driven by terrorists exploded, killing two and wounding one of the occupants. The taxi, stolen in Tel Aviv, was believed to have contained explosives.

Trucks and taxis containing bombs and explosives were discovered in various parts of the city. A bomb at the railway station was neutralized by sappers. One Brit-

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ish policeman was seriously injured by snipers shooting from a roof opposite the police station.

Automatic fire swept the streets, pinning persons down in a hail of machine-gun bullets. A curfew was imposed at 8:30 P. M. until further notice. [It was lifted before 11 P. M., The United Press reported.] At 10:15 Jerusalem was quiet and Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders were patrolling the streets in full battle equipment.

Members of the Stern gang penetrated into the Sarafand military base on the Jaffa-Jerusalem road, using false passes. They drove in in a military truck, which they parked near headquarters of the Palestine southern command. A quarter-hour later the truck exploded, demolishing two huts containing the offices of the adjutant general and the quartermaster.

The explosion killed an officer and a soldier. Twenty-one persons were hospitalized, including a civilian, thirteen soldiers and seven officers. Twenty civilians and soldiers suffered minor wounds.

Palestinian Christian Arabs with Arab roots going back 1000s of years carry a huge cross, reaching the third station of the Cross in Jerusalem, Palestine, on March 26th, 1948, as they retrace the path taken by Jesus Christ from the court of Pontius Pilate of Calvary. Others kneel on the spot where it's believed Jesus Christ fell for the first time under the heavy burden of the large wooden cross. This photo was transmitted to New York from London by radio transmission on the 26th of March in 1948 and was received properly and printed the following day.

PALESTINE TERROR RENEWED AFTER MORE DEPORTATIONS

Jewish Agency Campaign Against Violence Meets With a Political Setback

By AMOS GORDON

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

December 7th, 1946

JERUSALEM, Dec. 7—The death of British soldiers and policemen at the hands of terrorist groups, the derailment of trains, the blowing up of Government offices and wholesale attacks on police posts have profoundly affected the entire life of the Palestine community during the last year.

Since November, 1945, when Foreign Secretary Bevin's statement left Palestine where the Labor Government found it when it came into power, the terror has gained momentum. Observers here are convinced that the terrorist groups have achieved their objective. They have set the country in a continuous state of turmoil, forced Government offices to seek protection behind barbed-wire entanglements and kept the police and military on the alert.

Economic Effect

The terror has also had an important effect on the economy of the country. The Palestine Government budget shows that out of £20,000,000, more than £3,500,000 has been spent on the forces of security—excluding the military—and about £8,000,000 worth of damage will have to be covered by future budgets.

Three months of Army rule, however, have failed to bring an end to the terror; on the contrary, it has had precisely the opposite effect and wave after wave of bitterness has swept all sections of the Jewish community. Last month the London Government tried to normalize the situation; arrested Jewish leaders were released and the curfew was lifted. This was described by a high Government official as an "attempt to put the clock back where the 29th of June found it."

Damage Already Done

The damage, however, was already done. First, the Jewish Agency lost face and control—at least moral—over independent terrorist groups. Second, Jewish public opinion turned sharply against Britain. Third, disillusioned youth flocked into the ranks of the Jewish terrorist organizations.

Three Jewish underground armies were equally affected by events of the last few months. The largest, the Hagana, which backs the Jewish Resistance Movement, was restrained by Jewish leaders who refused to let it be drawn into armed conflict with the British forces. This was a difficult task as Palmakh (Hebrew abbreviation for striking force) demanded action.

Second in strength, the Irgun Zvai Leumi, refusing to obey Jewish Agency orders, opened a terrorist campaign. The anger and disillusion which have engulfed Jewish youth have in the course of one year swelled the ranks of the Irgun from 5,000 to 8,000. British Army Intelligence even puts the number at 10,000.

The third and smallest of the terrorist organizations, the Stern Gang, has gained little in numbers, remaining at 300.

Release of Jewish leaders last month was a turning point in the reign of terror. The Jewish Agency started an anti-terror campaign, appealing to the Jewish community to isolate desperate groups, but it was unprepared to take active steps against them, at least such action as might result in fratricide. This moderation campaign started gaining ground slowly when a political setback again halted its effectiveness.

Deportation Causes Outbreaks

Last week's deportation of 4,000 illegal immigrants brought the Jewish community face to face with this reality—that politically the Jews are still fighting for what they consider fundamentally a right. The deportations brought about a renewed terror, culminating in last Thursday's attack on the Sarafand military base. The Government, urged on by British public opinion, started pressing the Jewish Agency for elimination of the terror, which up to the present has been condemned by both the Jewish Agency and the Hagana.

Attempt at Agreement

Impartial observers here believe that no effective action will be taken as long as top Jewish leaders are abroad attending the Zionist Congress.

It is also doubtful that the Hagana will now be prepared to take action against the Irgun, as Hagana's youthful elements in the ranks of Palmakh will object to such action. In fact many believe that Palmakh already has lost some of its ablest section leaders to Irgun.

November 30th, 1946

New Cyprus Refugees Debark

FAMAGUSTA, Cyprus, Nov. 30 (AP) — Debarkation of 3,800 unauthorized Jewish immigrants — the largest group ever brought to the Cyprus detention camp from Palestine — started today from three British vessels anchored in Famagusta roads.

Authorities said the landings probably would occupy several days.

The 'Exodus 1947' seen docked at the Haifa port at right carried more than 4,500 illegal Zionist aliens from France to Palestine on July 11th, 1947. Zionists were doing everything in their power to increase the Jewish population by any means necessary, legal or illegal. Most of the passengers were Holocaust survivors who had no paperwork and no legal immigration certificates for Palestine or France so France was actually glad to get rid of them. Attacked by the British in international waters for carrying illegal immigrants to Palestine, three illegal's were killed and over 100 were injured in the fighting and chaos that ensued. The ship was swiftly taken to Haifa where prison ships were waiting to return the illegal alien immigrants to refugee camps in Europe, where they came from. Something Trump would do today.

They may be smiling but these illegal Jewish aliens from Eastern Europe were promptly and swiftly deported from Palestine on waiting British prison ships

ARAB KIDNAPPED BY ZIONIST GANG

Released Later by 50 Who Wound Village Chief in Reprisal for Arms Robbery

December 11th, 1946

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Dec. 11—Fifty members of Haganah, armed with submachine guns and grenades, raided the Arab village of Salame, near Jaffa, early today.

Cordoning the village, they ordered the residents to take them to the Moukhtar, or head man. Throwing grenades as they penetrated the village, they cleared the streets.

When the Moukhtar came out, they ordered him to produce his cousin. He refused. They forced their way into the house, found their man and abducted him in a waiting car. When the villagers attempted to resist, members of Palmach — Haganah's striking force—opened small-arms fire and threw grenades, wounding the head man.

Suspected of Arms Theft

According to reports from Tel Aviv, Haganah suspects that Arabs from Salame robbed the Hatna arms cache. It believes the head man's cousin responsible.

The abducted man, Osman Abu Hashi, returned to his village this afternoon. He said he had been taken into a house in Tel Aviv, which he believes to be Haganah's headquarters, and told that he would not be released unless the arms were returned. Before he was set free he was told: "We shall be seeing you again."

Observers here fear retaliation by the Nejada, the Arab private army, for this incident and last night's raid on its Jaffa office.

Arabs Warn on Terror

The Nejada will send its members to train in Trans-Jordan, it was revealed tonight in Jaffa. Mohammed Nimr el Hawari, its commander, said of the Salame incident: "We will not tolerate such acts. The Jewish terror is now directed against the Arabs."

Jewish leaders tried frantically to obtain the admittance of the 800 Jewish refugees on Syrina. A delegation of the Jewish Agency for Palestine was informed that the High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, was ready to recommend to London the admission of only the women and children, who would be interned here until their turn in the immigration quota came. Jewish Agency representations are being made to the Colonial Office in London.

[Representative Joseph Clark Baldwin, Republican, of New York, cabled to the Political Action Committee for Palestine here that, on intervening for the refugees' admission to Palestine, he had been assured of immediate favorable action.]

It was officially announced today that, of the 800, 488 were now aboard the British destroyer Chevron, while the minesweeper Provident carried 254. Both ships reached Crete on their way to Cyprus. Eight casualties were taken by a Greek destroyer to Rhodes.

Sixteen-year-old Josef Kamhi, a member of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, was sentenced to eighteen years' imprisonment and ten strokes of the birch by a Jerusalem military court today for the possession of arms and wounding an Ottoman bank's manager in Jaffa when the Irgun held up three banks in Jaffa and Tel Aviv on Sept. 13.

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PALESTINE BANDS LOOT GEM PLANTS

Armed Robbers Get $107,000 in Diamonds, Cash and Bonds in 2 Raids 40 Miles Apart

December 26th, 1946

JERUSALEM, Dec. 26 (AP)—Two bands of armed Jews robbed two diamond factories forty miles apart almost simultaneously today and made away with nearly $107,000 in diamonds, cash and bonds, police reported.

Six armed men, police said, believed to be of the Irgun Zvai Leumi underground resistance organization, staged a spectacular raid on the Eden Hayaset factory in the all-Jewish town of Nathanya and fled with nearly $80,000 in cut diamonds.

A few minutes earlier a band of three men carrying tommyguns invaded the Shamir diamond factory in Tel Aviv and escaped with $24,000 worth of diamonds, $3,000 in cash and some Government bonds.

The raids, apparently, were for the purpose of replenishing the underground war chest.

Nathanya, forty miles from Tel Aviv, is the capital of Palestine's $35,000,000 diamond industry. At that place the raiders held up more than 100 employes while looting the safe.

Two Killings Investigated

Meanwhile, police were investigating two killings that appeared to have been the result of executions ordered by irregular "courts" of the Jewish resistance and Arab Nationalists.

Irgun Zvai Leumi posted announcements in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem that it had "tried, convicted and executed" one of its members on Christmas Eve "because he was found to be a police spy."

A 25-year-old Jew, Israel Levin, was found dead near the Tel Aviv zoo Tuesday with seven bullet wounds in his head, his eyes blindfolded and his arms bound. He had been kidnapped from his home in a Tel Aviv suburb on Monday.

The police reported the slaying of Emir Mohammed Zeinati by Arabs in Haifa on Christmas Day and said it appeared to have been the result of an Arab "purge." Arab informants said they thought Zeinati had been killed "because he was believed to have sold land to Jews and to have espoused Jew-Arab unity."

A British military representative checks the papers of Jews at right, searching for illegal foreign Jewish immigrants in Jerusalem in 1946. Illegal aliens made it to Palestine in large numbers, walking and by ship and even small boat. Several aliens jumped ship at the port of Haifa to prevent being sent to a Cypress refugee camp and swam to shore. Some were caught and others blended in with the population.

December 31st, 1946

New Lashing Sentence Verified

JERUSALEM, Dec. 31 (AP)—British military authorities confirmed tonight a sentence of twelve lashes for a young Jew accused of underground activities, despite an underground warning that any new lashings would result in retaliation by "bullets." Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, British commander, approved the sentence against Aaron Cohen, convicted of having distributed pamphlets for Irgun Zvai Leumi.

The office of the Jewish Agency for Palestine received a cablegram from three Agency leaders in Basle, Switzerland — Dr. Moshe Shertok, Dr. Moshe Sneh and Mrs. Golda Meyerson—condemning the illegal whippings as "revolting brutality desecrating the good name of the Jewish community."

A British soldier, armed with a sten gun, on guard near the cages of orphaned Jewish children, illegal immigrants, as they prepare to leave a ship to live in Haifa, Palestine, on August 21st, 1947. Five hundred orphans, the majority of whom lost their parents during World War II, were interned in Cyprus and brought to Palestine as part of the monthly immigration quota. Unwanted Jewish adults, ill and the disabled were quickly deported.

ARMS CACHE BARED BY TEL AVIV BLAST

Heavy Automatic Weapons and Chemicals Found—More Raids in Jerusalem

January 1st, 1947

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 1—Police in the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv found today a large arms cache containing a quantity of heavy and light automatic weapons, various chemicals of the type used for detonating explosives and a number of military uniforms.

The discovery came quite by chance, according to information just received here. Around 12:30 P. M. an explosion was heard from a house in the northern part of the city. Police arriving to investigate stumbled on a basement door that seemed suspicious. When they tried to enter, two men sprang at them and, after grappling, fled down a side street. A police officer and a corporal who constituted the investigating party fired after them without result.

No official information on this find is yet available, but unchecked reports reveal that the contents of the cache were removed in four police trucks. The search was still continuing tonight, but no arrests had yet been reported. It was unofficially surmised that the cache belonged to the extremist right-wing political terrorist bodies, the Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern group, since some of their illegal literature was found in the basement room searched.

In Jerusalem British troops and police spent New Year's Day in two searches of Jewish poorer-class residential quarters. In the morning they combed 100-year-old houses built at the expense of the British Jewish philanthropist Sir Moses Montefiore, early in the nineteenth century and situated behind what is now the fashionable area of Jerusalem. Police here reported that they had arrested seven persons, found a quantity of arms and explosives and detained 270 persons for further questioning. This evening police again combining with troops searched the quarter not far from St. George's Cathedral, which is mainly inhabited by pious Jews.

A call to all Jewish boys and girls born in 1928 to join the Jewish Brigade of the British Army or the local security and communications services was issued tonight by the Jewish agency's central recruiting committee. Eighteen-year-olds were urged to enlist in either the British Army auxiliary or the regular Palestine police or to volunteer for agricultural training and land work.

They were also asked to volunteer for postal, telegraph, telephone and railway services. Eighteen-year-old girls were asked to become land workers, join agricultural training groups or apply for jobs in the postal, telegraph or telephone services.

2 ZIONIST GROUPS BOAST OF BOMBINGS

Claim for 'Credit' by Sternists and Irgun Zvai Leumi Gives Hagana Clean Bill

January 3rd, 1947

By GENE CURRIVAN

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 3—Posters distributed last night and purporting to be a joint "communiqué" of the Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern group, Palestine's two leading underground organizations, claim the credit for last Thursday's bombings of police headquarters here and in Jaffa. They also took a bow for blasting the arms depot near Tel Aviv on the same night.

The attacks killed ten persons and injured a dozen others. The communiqué, written in military phraseology, described in detail most of that night's events and added an interesting angle heretofore unrevealed. It alleged that, while the attacks were going on in Jerusalem, terrorists took up positions in the outskirts opposite two British military barracks and two police stations to prevent reinforcements from reaching the scene of the attack.

This seems logical and in keeping with past performances except that the communiqué added that the attack at these points actually went into action with grenades and mines. If this is true, it is still a military secret here. Grenades were thrown, but only in the vicinity of headquarters during the escape.

"Ambush" Is Charged

The communiqué said that "the attack began under cover of machine-gun and submachine-gun fire and all resistance on the part of the police forces was liquidated and the police and military forces in the Russian compound square were paralyzed. The main gate of police headquarters as well as the building was blown up. While retreating, our soldiers were ambushed by officers and policemen who paid with their lives."

The concluding paragraph of the poster declared: "If the soldiers of Irgun and the Stern group had not tried to spare lives there might have been forty killed instead of only a few."

All this seems to indicate that the two groups have linked for combined operations. Up to now they have been operating separately, with Irgun Zavi Leumi going in for extreme terrorism and the Stern group concerned with assassinations.

Hagana Apparently Cleared

If the communiqué can be accepted as actually emanating from these groups, it leaves Hagana in the clear and corroborates this third underground organization's recent protestations. Hagana, which is concerned mainly with ex-

pediting illegal immigration, made denials over its own clandestine radio.

In a recent broadcast it made the following declaration concerning the explosions: "The attacks were made by the Irgun and the Stern group. It is assumed that these attacks were acts of revenge for the brutal behavior of the police toward members of these underground groups and that they were directed particularly against the deportation of members of these groups to Eritrea."

It added: "Yes, this last week of 1945 was crowded with happenings, some joyous, some regrettable. We rejoice in the landing of immigrants; we view it as a symbol of hope and an expression of courage. On the other hand, we regret the loss of life, the suffering that had darkened these last days."

Hagana is probably sincere when it says that it regrets the loss of life. It tries to accomplish its objectives with a minimum of casualties. In a recent case when two Coast Guard stations were blown up because they were instrumental in intercepting illegal landings, the attackers telephoned the police, warning them that the places were about to be blown up. The police disregarded the warning and fourteen were injured—some as a result of the explosions and others by gunfire. At about the same time two police launches were blown up in a harbor, but again no lives were lost.

More Raids Made

JERUSALEM, Jan. 3 (U.P.)—British troops and Palestine police carried out a series of widespread raids near Tel Aviv today and swept through a new section of Jerusalem in a spreading search for terrorists who participated in last week's outbreak of violence. At the same time the Palestine Arabs announced that they had formally adopted the Arab League's boycott of Jewish-made goods.

TERRORISTS RENEW PALESTINE ATTACKS

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Sept. 28—Armed uniformed members of the notorious Jewish political extremist group named Irgun Zvai Leumi, which has been directing terrorist assaults against the Palestine police since the beginning of this year, again struck at several police stations last midnight, inflicting casualties on the police and suffering casualties themselves.

A police station on the main highway between Jerusalem and Jaffa was stormed by a large party of armed men, who poured a volley of shots at it and caused about fourteen bomb explosions near by. Later the police found the body of an Arab villager, who probably had run into the firing zone.

At the same time a police station in central Palestine was attacked by twenty men dressed in khaki uniforms with military webbing equipment similar to the British Army's Middle East kit. They threw bombs that caused only slight damage and the police beat off the attack.

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The Haifa police station was raided at midnight by twenty-five men, mostly armed with automatic weapons. Explosives with warning notices bearing the Irgun Zvai Leumi [National Military Organization] sign were placed around the station and damaged two passing military vehicles. The police in repulsing the attack inflicted casualties and two arrests were made. In this engagement one Palestinian constable was fatally wounded, a British constable suffered a concussion and a passer-by was wounded.

A fourth attack occurred in southern Palestine, where a number of armed men blasted their way into a police station, stole arms and killed a Palestinian constable and an army corporal traveling on the road near by.

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January 1st, 1947

Sentenced to Hang

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 1—An Irgun Zvai Leumi terrorist who took part in the April 23 raid on the Ramat Gan police headquarters during which, it is believed, fifteen of his companions were killed, was sentenced to death by hanging by a British military court today.

The sentence is subject to confirmation by Lieut. Gen. Evelyn Barker, general officer commanding.

The condemned man is 33-year-old Dov Gruner whose lower jaw was shot away on the night of the raid and who has spent six months in a hospital. He refused to testify during a four-hour trial. He also refused to recognize the validity of the proceedings or the jurisdiction of the court. He maintained that he was a soldier fighting for the cause of Zionism and that he should be treated as a prisoner of war.

The presiding justice reminded him that Britain and Palestine were not at war and that therefore, his request could not be granted.

Disguised as Britons

The raid was carried out in two trucks in which some terrorists were dressed as British soldiers and others as Arabs. The "soldiers" told the guards at the gate that they had a truckload of captured Arabs who had been caught in a series of thefts. Once inside the gates they opened fire, wounding two policemen while holding others at bay and gathered up a large quantity of guns and ammunition.

Gruner, who landed in Palestine in 1940 as an unauthorized immigrant, spent five years in the Jewish brigade of the British Army and had only recently been demobilized when the raid took place. He came from Budapest, Hungary, where his parents were killed during a pogrom. He has a sister whose name is unavailable here but who is living somewhere in the United States.

Irgun Zvai Leumi announced this afternoon that it had no intention of stopping its fight against the British, as requested by Representative Joseph Clark Baldwin, head of the Political Action Committee for Palestine. Mr. Baldwin recently sent a request to Irgun Zvai Leumi, asking that acts of violence cease until he could present the terrorist organization's viewpoint to the American people.

The reply of Irgun Zvai Leumi, sent to newspapers here, commended Mr. Baldwin for his help in Jewry's struggle for freedom but said there was no time for delay. The statement said that the organization would no longer rely on the promises of American statesmen, who, it declared, were being deceived by the British.

It called attention to the Anglo-Iranian and Standard Oil agreements and announced that every barrel of oil purchased by Standard would contain a "drop of Jewish blood."

Jerusalem Again Tense

JERUSALEM, Jan. 1 (U.P.)—Tension approached the breaking point in Palestine tonight as the Irgun Zvai Leumi announced that it would resume attacks on communications and military transport.

The militant underground organization announced by leaflets that it would end a three-week shaky "truce" and resume its campaign of violence.

Two new developments brought the Palestine situation toward the breaking point—a house-to-house search of the Yemenite quarter of Tel Aviv by British airborne troops, with the resulting arrest of fifty underground suspects, and the sentencing to death here of an agent of Irgun Zvai Leumi.

Within a few hours of announcement of the sentence underground agents stepped up their war of nerves, telephoning various government buildings that they would be blown up.

At 5 A. M. soldiers of the crack Sixth Air Borne Division, the "Red Devils," swept into Tel Aviv. Police cars proclaimed through loud speakers a curfew in the Yemenite quarter—called the Yemenite vineyard—a recruiting place for some of the most desperate members of the Jewish underground.

It was understood that the search centered on men suspected of flogging four British soldiers, with particular attention to Yemenite members of the so-called Irgun Zvai Leumi Black Squad.

However, reliable informants said that no members of the Black Squad, believed to have been responsible for the floggings, were caught in the net.

A Jewish illegal bows on February 16th, 1947, as he receives DDT spray from soldiers of the British 6th Airborne Division before leaving Jerusalem, deported on the Cyprus-bound ship Ocean Vigour. During the British Mandate tens of thousands of illegal aliens were deported from Palestine, generally to a refugee camp on Cyprus erected for Jews. From there it was to any country that would take them.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 4—Palestine's regime of terror, which was quiescent for almost a month during the Zionist Congress in Basle, was renewed by the events of the past few days and threatens to assume increasingly serious proportions.

The crowded Palestine week started with an Irgun Zvai Leumi kidnapping and flogging last Sunday of a British officer and four top sergeants in retaliation for eighteen strokes with a cane given Irgunist Ahron Kimchin, sentenced by a Jerusalem military court. A military reaction followed immediately, including searches, the screening of three coastal towns and Tel Aviv's slum quarter in a three-day operation, and confirmation of a second flogging sentence by the Palestine commander, Sir Evelyn Barker. Confirmation of the sentence brought Irgun's answer, "We shall retaliate by shooting."

A series of incidents has broken the so-called voluntary truce that existed during the Basle meeting. Advantage is on the side of terrorist organizations, which used the month's peace for consolidation, resting their men and reorganization. Until last week some hopes were entertained—although dim ones—in various quarters that Palestine would enjoy a respite until the political issues were clarified.

"Suspended" Terrorism

Irgun and the Stern Gang, the two major terror organizations, suspended their activities "in order not to embarrass the Zionist Congress" but admitted their preparedness. Local and secondary rather than major issues moved them to change their position.

The primitive ancient rules which form the law of the underground —an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth—had decided matters. A lash for a lash had drawn undergrounders to go even further and pronounce "death for a lash." Adding fuel to the already serious situation came the death sentence passed last Wednesday in a Jerusalem military court on terrorist Dov Bela Groner.

Irgun announced its resumption of sabotage against Palestine rail communications and terror against military transport.

The Arab political campaign has also assumed a fresh aspect after the return of the Arab Higher Executive from a fortnight's consultations with the exiled chairman, Hajel Housseini, Grand Mufti of Jerusalem. Jamal el Housseini, acting chairman of the Arab Higher Executive, expressing the official Arab political attitude, said last Sunday that Palestine's Arabs do not believe in long-winded debates or discussions but will resort to action.

The Arab army now stands 20,000 strong. Najada (the Arab illegal army), is engaged almost daily in the "liquidation" of "traitors," most of whom are prominent Arabs who are accused of selling their lands to Jews and who are known for their moderate political tendencies.

Arabs Are Arming

There are indications that the Arab underground feverishly is arming and recruiting among the large reserve of Arab villagers.

The British Government is now facing a two-fold danger. On the one hand, there is a hardening of the Arab political line and the potential violence to support it. On the other, is a similar hardening of the official Zionist political line as expressed in Basle in the failure of the Weizmannist moderates, with the small but active independent terrorist groups acting contrary to the wishes of the official Zionist leadership.

At the same time, in the background looms the 60,000-strong Jewish resistance movement, held in check by leaders confining their activities to illegal immigration, but potentially constituting a power which may be thrown into the arena should a political solution not be found.

The Palestine Administration is following the latest events with serious apprehension. Politically, the British realize that some solution must be found and must be found quickly before disaffection assumes uncontrollable proportions.

The most important factor on the British side, the Army, which takes the brunt of any disturbances, also is pressing for a decision. The military point of view was summed up by a high-ranking officer who said, "We are tired of pushing people around, we are sick of seeing our men killed. We want a definite task—the issue must be made clear." Which amounts to an admission that military considerations cannot be taken apart from the local political solution and that the Army is not enthusiastic over the state of political indecision in the last few years.

Possible Reactions

Surveying the political situation as it stands, one may safely conclude that whatever solution will be found will bring trouble in its wake. If it favors Arab demands, the Jews will react with violence. On the other hand, if it is in favor of Jewish extremist demands, Arabs will rise. Even if both are met half way, trouble will be brewing. Partition backed by sufficient determination to carry it through has a better chance.

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TWOFOLD DANGER CONFRONTS THE BRITISH IN PALESTINE

Situation Grows More Tense With Violence And Hardening of Arab-Jewish Positions

By S. J. GORDON
Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.
January 6th, 1947

Britons Wounded in Troop Train

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 6 (U.P.) — wounded, three seriously, when three hand grenades were thrown at a twelve-coach troop train en route from Cairo to Palestine today.

The grenades were thrown by unidentified persons, between Cairo and Benha. They struck the third coach of the train, in which sixty-five soldiers were riding.

The damaged coach was detached and the train continued to Palestine. Cairo police sent squads to the scene to hunt for the bomb-throwers.

Palestine circa 1900

32 IN TERROR GROUP IN PALESTINE HELD

British Believe at Least 3 of Them Are Top Men—Irgun Zvai Leumi Denies Truce

January 8th, 1947

JERUSALEM, Jan. 8 (U.P.)—British police, in a pre-dawn sweep on the townships of Rishon-le-Zion and Rehoboth, south of Tel Aviv, arrested thirty-two suspected members of the militant "Black Squads" of the Irgun Zvai Leumi underground organization today.

At least four women were among those arrested and the police believed that in their net they had caught at least three important Irgun Zvai Leumi leaders who had directed and carried out the organization's campaign of violence. An authoritative informant here said that one of them was a top leader. All those arrested were taken to Latrun concentration camp.

A few hours after the raid Sir Henry Gurney, Acting High Commissioner, canceled the sentence of caning imposed on Aharon Cohen, a member of Irgun Zvai Leumi. The organization had threatened to shoot British soldiers if the sentence had been executed.

Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, British Commander in Chief, had confirmed the sentence. Sir Henry's action in overriding his decision was taken as a gesture toward moderate Jewish leaders in Britain's attempt to get their cooperation against violence and to induce them to attend the Jan. 21 Palestine conference in London.

Truce Talk Is Denied

Tension relaxed suddenly when the action was announced, but it was as suddenly revived when the Irgun Zvai Leumi secret radio tonight broke a three-day silence to deny reports of a "truce" in attacks on British troops.

"This is the voice of fighting Zion," a woman broadcaster said. "All this talk of truce is nonsense. Better death than acceptance of a Jewish ghetto."

Gershon Hirsch, spokesman for the Jewish Agency, also denied any knowledge of a truce.

Mr. Hirsch said, however, that the Agency was trying to negotiate a truce. There was substantial evidence of such an attempt.

But today's Irgun Zvai Leumi broadcast was uncompromising.

"The British try threats on one side and promises on the other," it said. "The British try to frighten the masses of our people and throw them against the underground. They intend to induce the Jewish Agency, which wants partition, to take part in the London conference. Our answer to threats is simple: Nobody can frighten us."

There was another rumor, completely unconfirmed, that thirty members of the Haganah underground had killed one villager and kidnapped another in an attack on the Arab settlement of Tubas in the Nablus district. This raid, it was rumored, was in connection with the alleged theft of Haganah arms by Arabs.

The joint raid on Rishon-le-Zion and Rehoboth, in which troops of the Sixth Airborne Division took part, was regarded as the most important since the arrest last June of Isaac Yesernitsky, No. 2 man of the Stern group.

HAIFA BLAST ENDS PALESTINE TRUCE

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

TEL AVIV, Palestine, Jan. 12—Terrorists blew up the northern district police station in Haifa tonight.

[A Government communiqué issued late Sunday set the casualties at four dead and sixty-two injured in the explosion, but the figure on the injured presumably covered only non-civilians, for a later dispatch by The Associated Press said 142 policemen and others had been wounded.]

Those killed were two British constables and two members of the Palestine police.

This incident ended the so-called truce and may result in the proclamation of martial law in Palestine.

It came shortly after Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, High Commissioner for Palestine, had convinced authorities in London that the police would take over with a gloved hand and the Army would be more or less in the background.

Army to Handle Situation

This meant that the Army would allow the police to handle normal situations until more drastic action was needed. It was believed that tonight's attack virtually reversed the entire situation.

A truce might have meant some degree of sanity in Palestine and would have contributed considerably toward a normal discussion of the Palestine problem at the forthcoming London conference, but this outbreak of violence sets the whole matter back.

At 7:30 P. M., Irgun Zvai Leumi, underground organization, announced that the "truce" was over. Almost two hours earlier a truck loaded with explosives was parked alongside the police station.

Late reports said that three men dressed as police officers drove the truck into the police compound after their credentials had been checked by guards. After the three had walked out, the guards

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became suspicious and investigated. They found a fuse burning on the explosives, but ignored the fuse, and ran to the building, giving the alarm, which probably saved many lives.

When the explosives went off, it wrecked the back of the six-story building. The impact had such an effect on the adjoining telephone building that hundreds of persons were without communication tonight.

It was believed that of the injured at least forty-eight were in hospitals.

An indeterminate number of persons were injured outside the building. The police said several persons were missing.

The concussion blasted windows over a wide area and threw pedestrians sprawling to the sidewalks. Most of the casualties were cut by flying glass and were not believed to be seriously injured.

Within a few minutes the Army and the police were on the scene with first aid and the injured and dead were being removed. Not long afterward all streets leading to Haifa were blocked. There was little doubt that a curfew would be established tomorrow, with the possibility of martial law to follow. [A strict curfew was imposed Sunday night, The Associated Press said.]

This incident was considered here as open defiance of General Cunningham, who was trying to ameliorate conditions.

In all, 872 persons were screened and ten detained for further questionings.

An investigation also was started to determine how the truck load of explosives could have been driven into the police compound and left there to explode, and how the guards let the lone driver escape although five shots were fired at him.

The blast wrecked the five-story building and set it ablaze. It shattered windows in shops and homes for blocks around. Looting was a problem until police got the situation under control.

The dead, two British and two Arab constables, were caught by the blast on a second floor stairway apparently running down to the compound when the shots were fired. Two of the survivors were listed as "dangerously injured" and seven as seriously so. Among the injured were fifty Arabs.

This blast, second only to the King David Hotel explosion last summer in which ninety-one were killed, has had a stunning effect on the entire country. The Arabs again are incensed, the British are fighting mad and the Jews feel they again have been placed in a poor light before the world and that their case has received a severe setback through no fault of theirs.

Posters attributed to the Stern Gang were reported in Telaviv this morning claiming "credit" for the Haifa outrage, but there was no verification of this. If true, it would indicate that the Stern group and Irgun Zvai Leumi again had split. This might explain the sudden end of the "truce." with

Outrage Stuns Country

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 13—Part of Haifa was cordoned by 2,000 British soldiers and policemen in the search for terrorists who last night blew up the district police headquarters there, killing four and injuring sixty-six.

the latter possibly keeping its word.

Arabs Demand Britain Act

JERUSALEM, Jan. 13 (AP)—Arab officials demanded today that Britain take stern measures to wipe out violence in the Holy Land, and said the present British attitude encouraged terrorism.

Dr. Hussein Khalidi, secretary of the Arab Higher Executive for Palestine, said the "leniency and patience with which the Government is dealing with Jewish terrorism is instrumental to its continuation."

"The Arab people demand radical and speedy measures to stamp out terrorists," he said, adding that the measures should be at least as severe as those "in which the Government dealt with Arabs during the 1936-39 troubles."

Sir Henry Gurney, Chief Secretary for Palestine, conferred during the day with Jamal el Husseini, deputy chairman of the Arab Higher Executive, and David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive. They declined to disclose details of the talks, except to say that the Haifa bombing was discussed.

Anti-Terrorist Steps Planned

JERUSALEM, Jan. 13 (U.P.)—Mr. Ben-Gurion tonight called a meeting of the Jewish Agency Executive for Thursday to take a final stand on "concrete measures" against the violence of the Irgun Zvai Leumi and Stern underground groups.

MYSTERY SHIP SEEN AS EXILES' HAVEN

Yacht Constructed in 1931 Is Believed Carrying Jews Into Palestine

January 18th, 1947

By GEORGE HORNE

An 800-ton yacht, the subject of international "representations" and of considerable speculation on the New York waterfront as a "mystery" craft, is headed eastward from Marseille presumably to engage in running the British blockade carrying Jewish refugees into Palestine, it was disclosed yesterday.

The 2,000-horsepower Abril, built in 1931 and formerly called the Cythera, left New York late in December headed for Marseille with a cargo that aroused attention.

With a crew of twenty-eight men aboard and flying the flag of Honduras, the trim yacht carried a thousand mess kits of an Army type, believed to have been bought in surplus sales here, and 1,500 standard type lifejackets. Her accommodations and stores indicated that she would take on passengers in number far in excess of any journey in her previous history.

She had cleared her papers at the Custom House, according to public records there, on Dec. 25, and two days later she quietly left port. The names of her master and crew are not publicly known, but her owner was listed as the Tyre Shipping Company, 233 Broadway, a corporation formed on June 10, 1946, with the firm of Friedman, Marx & Handler, of the same address, as attorneys.

Knows Nothing About Owners

K. Bertram Friedman of the law firm said he had drawn up the incorporation papers but that he knew nothing of the owners of the vessel or of her destination.

Lord Inverchapel, British Ambassador in Washington, has made representations at the Department of State on the subject of the powerful motor yacht, but the basis of the representations are not known.

A spokesman at the Department of State said yesterday that an investigation had been made, and no violation of the laws was found. A Maritime Commission spokesman said the yacht, formerly the PY31, in Navy use during the war, was sold for $36,100, in the regular course of its duties as vessel disposal agent of the United States Government.

A report from Paris yesterday said the Abril had arrived and had joined a small fleet of craft of similarly mysterious purpose.

French authorities in Paris and Marseille are cognizant of "an increasing traffic" in the Mediterranean of vessels engaged in running the British blockade, and it was estimated that as many as seventy vessels are cruising the waters around Marseille and Spezia, Italy, according to the report. They range from yachts and motorboats to steamers.

Not Hindered at the Port

The vessels enter Marseille for refueling, and come and go without hindrance. The only question raised about their activities is that they appear to be greatly overprovisioned.

State records at Albany show that the incorporators of the Tyre concern were Morris Brenner, 1183 Grand Concourse, Bronx; Julian Licht, 44 West Twelfth Street, and Alexander Wilf, of 619 Market Street, Philadelphia. Neither of the first two owners could be reached by telephone, although several calls were made during last week.

Mr. Wilf, a telephone call to Philadelphia disclosed, is out of the city. It was learned, however, that he is vice chairman of the American League for a Free Palestine, at 25 West Forty-fifth Street, which gathers funds in this country for the European "underground railway" through which European Jewish refugees are carried to Palestine.

A spokesman for the league pointed out that its projects were no secret, but said that the money collected, amounting to some $300,000 in recent months, was all sent abroad to the Repatriation Commission of the Hebrew Committee of National Liberation, at Basle, Switzerland.

The league itself does not purchase any craft; it is quite likely that the Basle committee uses the funds for the purchase and lease of blockade-running vessels, he said.

"The actual operation is handled by the underground route which had such success in rescuing over 40,000 people from the Gestapo in the war," he declared. "Obviously this operation requires ships and we are not engaged in operating ships. That is left to the people who are handling this exodus."

The spokesman incidentally disclosed that the original cost of $250 for taking a refugee through to Palestine had been reduced considerably.

He said the repatriation committee had purchased craft in European countries and that if it chose to buy through American representatives in the surplus American market there was no legal barrier to such purchases. The league, however, knew nothing of the buying of the Abril.

The league obtains its funds by public appeals and from proceeds of the play "A Flag Is Born," by Ben Hecht. Former Senator Guy M. Gillette is president of the league.

There have been frequent rumors in recent weeks that a number of small craft had been purchased and were being outfitted here to join the Abril. A check of shipyards failed to turn up any other vessels, however. With none of the Tyre company officials available it was not even known where the Abril's reconversion was made, except that it was at a dock in Brooklyn.

PALESTINE HELD BY 100,000 TROOPS

January 18th, 1947

But Lacking People's Support, They Fail To Halt Terror

By JULIAN L. MELTZER

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 18 — The British armed forces in Palestine are capable of handling a large-scale "frontal" rebellion by either the Jewish or the Arab section of the population. But they are unable to cope as effectively with the sporadic guerrilla warfare that is being carried out by small underground groups who take advantage of the element of surprise in plotting their coups.

The only successful method they found to combat political violence under such conditions is—in the admitted absence so far of the Jewish public's cooperation with the military authorities—to impose stern measures upon everyone in an effort to track down a small number of malefactors.

Much Secrecy Prevails

No real information on the present size of the British and auxiliary forces stationed here can be obtained. Military secrecy is as rigidly maintained as it was during General Eisenhower's surge across Europe two years ago. But it can be assumed that there are now two full divisions and two brigades of the British Army here, with another division reported to be on the way from Egypt. That will give a military strength of more than 80,000 troops, with ancillary services.

The strength of the Palestine police establishment is also being kept secret, with the number of British officers and constables variously estimated at between three and five thousand, the real figure probably being somewhere in between. The Arab constabulary numbers 6,000, the Jewish force another 2,000, perhaps 2,500. There are in addition about 7,000 temporary Arab constables serving on fixed guard duty at army camps or Government buildings and 2,500 Jewish settlement police who have specific duties connected with the security of the outpost Jewish villages in non-Jewish areas. Some 2,000 troopers of King Abdullah's Trans-Jordan Arab Legion are also serving here as airport or Royal Air Force airfield guards or are mounting sentry over Government offices.

That gives a total of more than 100,000 members of the security services, apart from the Royal Navy units that are scouring Palestine waters in search of prohibited ships, and the Royal Air Force, which hitherto has not been used to quell violence but has been employed on reconnaissance errands.

Numbers Not Enough

That figure of 100,000 ought to be adequate to deal with a maximum of 5,000 underground extremists. But judging from the results up to now, numbers do not mean everything.

The present methods of seeking culprits concerned with political violence are entirely punitive—taking place after the outbreak occurs—and only to a small degree preventive. When a terrorist outrage happens, the authorities immediately impose a curfew and clamp down heavily upon the whole public. Rigorous searches are conducted, accompanied by the inevitable hardships for guiltless persons.

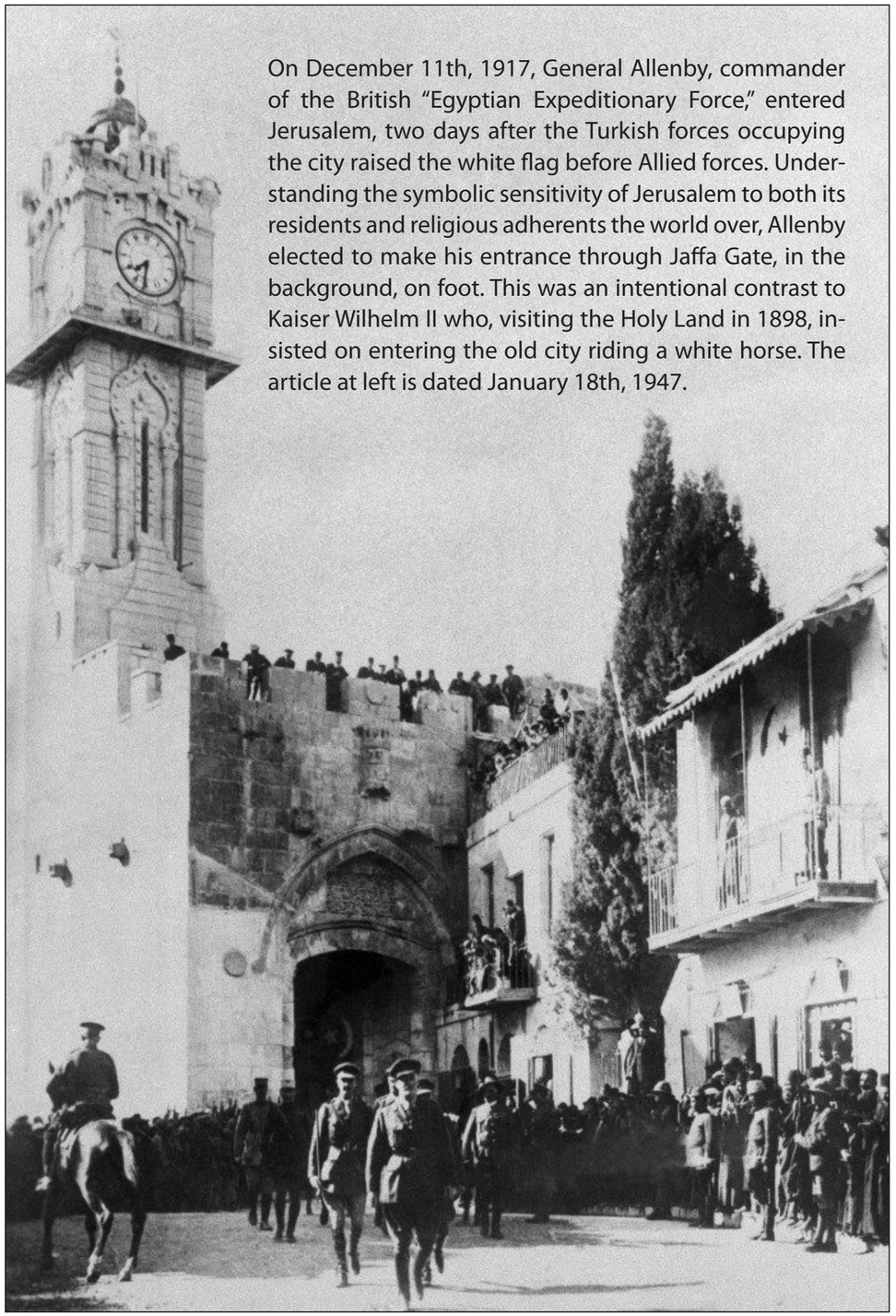
Failing Efforts Are Seen

But it 1 all too obvious that such punitive action cannot be avoided where preventive measures fail owing to the passive public cognizance of the tactics of the political extremists—to use no stronger a term than "cognizance."

If stronger measures are taken in the future, they can only mean more tribulation for entire Jewish communities. Indeed, there was a report current some months ago after the King David Hotel blast that General Barker had said at a private gathering, "Give me a fortnight to use my own methods and I'll get every Jewish terrorist in this country."

What the situation boils down to, therefore, is this: the Army and security forces here, totaling at least 100,000 men, are sufficient to crush any major frontal attacks. But they are handicapped by a lack of good intelligence sources in controlling the desultory terrorism that is practiced by compact and daring raiding parties guided by a shrewd underground chief.

The fact must be faced that, to enlist public cooperation in Palestine against the political terror, there must be a prior political settlement.



On December 11th, 1917, General Allenby, commander of the British "Egyptian Expeditionary Force," entered Jerusalem, two days after the Turkish forces occupying the city raised the white flag before Allied forces. Understanding the symbolic sensitivity of Jerusalem to both its residents and religious adherents the world over, Allenby elected to make his entrance through Jaffa Gate, in the background, on foot. This was an intentional contrast to Kaiser Wilhelm II who, visiting the Holy Land in 1898, insisted on entering the old city riding a white horse. The article at left is dated January 18th, 1947.

How is this different than allowing Mexican Americans to raise funds to bring illegal Mexican immigrants here to the USA?

U. S. ZIONISTS TO AID 'ILLEGAL' ENTRANTS

January 21st, 1947

Neumann Says They Are Ready to Spend 'Millions' to Spur Migration to Palestine

By CHARLES E. EGAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Jan. 21—United States Zionists are ready to pour "millions" of dollars into the financing of "illegal" immigration of Jews to Palestine, Dr. Emanuel Neumann, vice president of the Zionist Organization of America, said here today.

Dr. Neumann, who is also American member of the Executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, said at a press conference that American Jews hoped that Britain would regard the immigration activities, "not as wilfull rebellion, but as a great work of mercy and rescue."

As the British Government proceeded with preparations for the renewal of the conference here on Monday on Palestinian problems,

During 1989 congressional testimony Senator George Baker told Yitzhak Shamir, pictured at right:

"Take this number: (202) 456-1414. When you're serious about peace, call us."

From 1948 forward, if the text of both the documents and discussions are carefully analyzed, the state of racist Zionist Israel has done everything possible to this day to thwart the peace process at all times. It's their policy.

Dr. Neumann insisted that the Zionists had no intention of attending the sessions.

Fadil Jamali, Iraqi Foreign Minister and president of the Council of the Arab League, who will be a key figure at the conference, said emphatically tonight that the Arabs would not consider any solution involving any form of partition of Palestine. Dr. Fauzi Mulki of the Trans-Jordan delegation endorsed Dr. Jamali's assertion.

Meanwhile, in Parliament the Government was asked by Sir Waldron Smithers, a Conservative, to state its policy on Palestine. Arthur Creech Jones, Colonial Secretary, answered for Prime Minister Attlee. He said that the Palestine conference was resuming shortly and that the Government was not now in a position to make a statement.

Dr. Neumann deplored the activities of the terrorists in Palestine but made it clear that a distinction must be drawn between the financing of immigration and encouragement of the terrorists.

At its annual meeting today the Anglo-Jewish Association adopted resolutions condemning the "wicked and senseless outrages which have occurred in Palestine" and the failure of the Zionists to agree to attend the Palestine conference.

Make no mistake, from the very beginning going back decades Israel has infiltrated every Islamic extremist group that exists. To such a degree that they are all, for all essential purposes, now Israeli psychological operations founded, financed, trained and armed by Israel and other western countries. To fight their collective enemies—Syria, Iraq, Libya and others. Where do you think ISIS got 150 brand new Toyota trucks? ISIS is Israel.

ENDING OF VIOLENCE IN PALESTINE URGED

Failure to end violence in Palestine will endanger the continued support and good will of Americans who have contributed to its upbuilding, the New York Chapter of the American Council for Judaism, Inc., warned yesterday.

Henry Loeb and Jacques Coleman, co-chairmen of the New York Chapter, pointed out in a statement that the destiny of Palestine can be determined only in a peaceful conference room. They urged all Americans and the Government here to exert moral influence to end the campaign of violence and terrorism that has taken a heavy toll of life and property.

The statement said that violence in Palestine has set back seriously the hopes of many of Jewish faith in the displaced persons camps in Europe that they might soon find a haven in Palestine and reconstruct their lives.

The Council officials asserted that Americans have a vital stake in an equitable solution of the complex situation in Palestine, "and therefore a right and responsibility to raise their voice against the efforts of extremists by bombings and other acts of terrorism, to force a partisan solution that would only perpetuate strife in the Near East." They added:

"The violence has turned Palestine into an armed camp and the trend of events foreshadows a tragic climax that may threaten the peace of the world. The terrorism must be halted before that happens."

BRITISH TO STIFFEN CURBS IN PALESTINE

Authority Warns of Severest Action at Next Outbreak— Puts Issue Up to Zionists

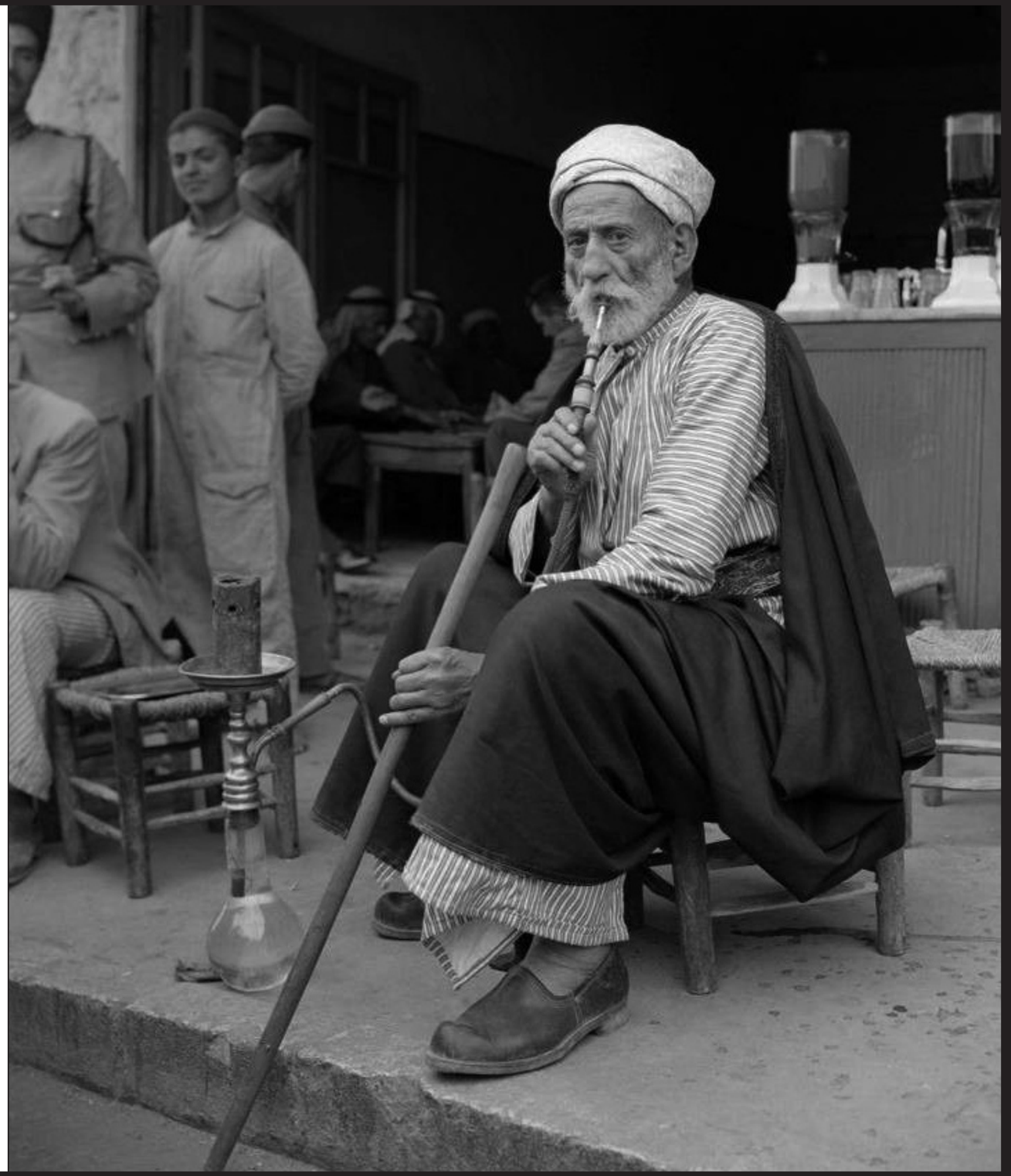
January 24th, 1947

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 24 — The British Government in Palestine has reached the saturation point so far as terrorism is concerned and is prepared to clamp down with the severest measures at the next outbreak. The defense against terrorism is placed squarely on local Zionists.

This was learned today from one of the best possible sources. The Government feels that the Zionists are not cooperating adequately and that if attacks continue against the British troops and installations, the military will get a free hand to operate in its own defense.



A Hajj — an Arab who has been to Mecca and who is looked up to by the Arab population in Palestine. Here he's seen smoking his hookah, a pipe that uses a tobacco smoke cooled by the water in the jar, in Jerusalem, on July 17th, 1947.

This would mean ruthless searches after outrages, the imposition of long curfews and other rigid restrictions that could make life in Palestine almost unbearable. It also could mean the withdrawal of the existing restraint that has been exercised in the face of the open defiance of armed soldiers by unruly mobs.

This particular official felt that even if the Jews achieved their goal of a Jewish state in Palestine they would have to obliterate these dissident groups if civil war was to be averted. His contention was that they must be taken care of eventually by the Jews, so why not now.

Cooperation Lack Cited

As an illustration of the alleged lack of cooperation on the part of the Palestine population, reference was made to a recent statement by Vaad Leumi, Jewish National Council, which decried terrorism and pledged itself to act against it. But, it was pointed out, Vaad Leumi, in its four-point program, made no mention of cooperating with the Government forces or of combating terrorism directed against the British troops.

The organization declared:

"Yishuv will defend itself with necessary force against domination and coercion, intimidation and threats, extortion of money and use of force against teachers and pupils, policemen, drivers and others."

It is the contention of the Government that Zionists can and must stamp out terrorism, as the problem is theirs alone. If they refuse to cooperate, they are inviting extreme consequences.

On the other side of the picture it appeared today that the Government was inviting further terroristic activities when Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, British commander in Palestine, confirmed the death sentence against the Irgun Zvai Leumi terrorist, Dov Gruner. Irgun Zvai Leumi already has threatened to retaliate if Gruner is hanged, but General Barker has disregarded this and virtually accepted the challenge. However, it is confidently believed that the High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan G. Cunningham, may commute the sentence to life imprisonment, thereby averting what could be a nasty situation.

Gruner, who spent five years in the Jewish Brigade of the British Army, was captured during a terrorist attack on the Ramat Gan police station last April 23.

Chief Rabbi Makes Plea

JERUSALEM, Jan. 24 (U.P.)—General Barker today ordered all theatres out of bounds for British soldiers. Previously he had declared cafes and movies out of bounds.

Realizing that an outburst of violence might follow Gruner's execution, Jerusalem's chief rabbi, Isaac Herzog, trudged through the teeming streets this Sabbath eve to appeal to General Cunningham to commute the sentence against Gruner.

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Collecting water at a refugee Camp in 1949, her husband murdered and her home and land stolen

January 25th, 1947

TEL AVIV IS BARRED TO BRITISH SOLDIERS

JERUSALEM, Jan. 25 (U.P.)—The all-Jewish City of Tel Aviv was placed out of bounds to British off-duty troops today as part of precautions to meet expected new outbreaks on behalf of Dov Gruner, Irgun Zvai Leumi member sentenced to be hanged for complicity in an attack on a police station last April.

Police and troops manned road blocks and police stations throughout Palestine as sunset ended the Jewish Sabbath. It was reported that Gruner had been removed from the Palestine jail to another undisclosed prison to block Jewish underground attempts to liberate him.

Legal experts said that Gruner would be hanged Tuesday unless his sentence were commuted by British High Commissioner Sir Alan Cunningham. Sir Alan conferred with high Government officials today and reliable sources said he telephoned a report to London. British reaction in London was expected to weigh heavily in his decision.

Gruner's death sentence was confirmed yesterday by Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, British commander in Palestine, leaving Sir Alan the only man who could save the raider from death.

The Palestine press received permission today to publish Sir Eve-

A Jewish cab is set ablaze by an angry Palestinian mob near the Damascus Gate in Jerusalem, Palestine, on December 29th, 1947, after Zionists shooting from a taxi assassinated 15 persons, among them 12 Palestinians, 2 British constables and a Jew

lyn's confirmation of Gruner's sentence, which had been banned by censorship.

A delegation of Jewish notables called on United States Consul General Lowell Pinkerton to seek his intervention in the scheduled execution. Mr. Pinkerton explained he was powerless as Gruner was not an American citizen.

Soldiers made up of the Trans-Jordan Arab Legion surround a group of captured and disarmed Haganah Jewish terrorists and pose with their rifles following the Zionist terrorist surrender, temporary as it may have been, in the old city of Jerusalem, Palestine, on May 28th, 1948. The Transjordan Arab Legion was part of the British Occupied Enemy (Zionists) Territory Administration and fought on the side of the British and Palestinians. The Army was made up primarily of Ottoman Empire personnel along with some military assistance from Syria.

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ZIONISTS' THREAT DECRIED

Council for Judaism Opposes Illegal Palestine Entry

Statements by American Zionists that they were prepared to spend millions of dollars to finance illegal immigration into Palestine were condemned yesterday by Lessing J. Rosenwald, president of the American Council for Judaism.

Mr. Rosenwald said that "this shocking disregard for law and order" did not reflect the sentiments of all Americans of Jewish faith.

The comment above by Mr. Rosenwald, president of the American Council for Judaism, sounds exactly like Donald Trump discussing his issues regarding the Hispanic people, but with slightly more diplomacy and less divisive language. Right? I mean what would the public reaction be if the American Israeli Public Affairs Committee (APAC) started financing illegal Jewish immigrants into the USA? Immigrants primarily from Russia, Armenia, Poland and other Eastern European countries—not the 1000s we admit each year under our liberal immigration policies, but illegal's, who couldn't be tracked, untraceable, impoverished, unemployed, potential criminals without proper documentation. No drivers license, no social security number. And if these documents were obtained they would have to be forgeries. Would this be accepted and tolerated today?

5 TERRORISTS TAKE BRITON FROM HOME IN MID-JERUSALEM

Four Men and Girl, All Armed, Slug Business Man and Drive Him Off in Car

VICTIM'S DEATH FEARED

Trail of Blood Found in Moslem Cemetery but Hunt Fails to Bare More Traces

January 26th, 1947

By JULIAN LOUIS MELTZER
Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 26—A 48-year-old British business man and former Army major, H. A. I. Collins, was kidnapped tonight from a house in the center of Jerusalem by four men and a girl armed with revolvers and a tommy-gun. All five are said to be members of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, a terrorist organization.

Mr. Collins, a director of the Jewish-owned British Bank, was in his house near the American consulate general when, soon after 5 P. M., someone knocked at the door. A servant answered and told Mr. Collins someone wanted to speak to him outside. When he went out, he was apparently knocked over the head with a blunt instrument, chloroformed and taken away.

The abductors' route was across a large, empty waste ground, of which part is a Moslem cemetery. It is believed that Mr. Collins was put in a sack and that the abductors used automobiles to take him to a secret hide-out.

Alarm Given Hour Later

The alarm was not given until an hour later, when a woman friend with whom Mr. Collins had been having tea informed the police. Wailing sirens halted traffic and shops were hurriedly closed. People fearing a curfew hurried home.

Troops armed with automatic weapons surrounded the huge Moslem cemetery area and fired Very lights to facilitate the search. It was feared that Mr. Collins might have died during the abduction, as signs showed that he had lost much blood. He had a right-arm injury that made it impossible for him to resist the abductors.

The delay enabled the kidnappers to get away unchecked. A two-hour search revealed no trace of them.

Mr. Collins was undoubtedly a hostage for an Irgun Zvai Leumi member, Dov Gruner, 33. Unless reprieved, Gruner will be hanged soon for taking part in an armed attack on a police station near Tel Aviv last April.

His sentence was confirmed on Friday by Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, British military commander. Although it was believed that the High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, would reprieve him, no such announcement had been made by late tonight. Rumors that Gruner would be hanged on Tuesday morning probably inspired the terrorists' decision to take a hostage.

Mr. Collins took a wartime post in the textiles division of the Palestine Government's light-industries control department in January, 1945. A few months ago he retired to private business as a textiles importer.

Girl Describes Abduction

JERUSALEM, Jan. 26 (U.P.)—Mr. Collins was kidnapped as he was having afternoon tea in his apartment with a Jewish girl. She said three underground men and the underground girl had forced their way into the flat. They wore masks and carried sub-machine guns.

The three men held Mr. Collins while the girl covered his face with a cloth saturated with chloroform. He lapsed into unconsciousness within a minute. Then the abductors stuffed him into a sack and carried him out.

"The girl terrorist ordered me to stand against the wall, saying: 'If you move we will shoot you down,'" Mr. Collins' friend told police.

A high police official said an hour after the kidnapping that he believed the abductors were "still within the cordon area." The all-clear was sounded two hours after the sirens shrilled.

Mr. Collins is manager of the Palbric Company, an importer of wool for Italy, as well as a bank director. His wife and three daughters are in England. He lived alone.

The entire area of his residence was sealed off by troops with guns at the ready. The cordon area included Mamillah Cemetery, Mamillah Road and King George Avenue in Rehavia, a Jewish villa quarter in western Jerusalem.

Police and troops immediately began taking all men and women out of houses within the cordon area. Police officials said they would be screened individually in an effort to find the kidnappers.

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Judge Kidnapped From Court in Tel Aviv Within 24 Hours of Earlier Crime

GENERAL CALLS ZIONISTS

Cunningham Tells Leaders Civil Rule Will Halt if Victims Are Not Returned Unharmed

January 27th, 1947

By JULIAN LOUIS MELTZER
Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 27—The abduction of another Briton by terrorists today was followed by a stern warning from the High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, of virtual martial law over certain areas of Palestine.

Today's victim, Judge Ralph Windham, was taken from his court in Tel Aviv. General Cunningham threatened action unless Judge Windham and H. A. I. Collins, kidnapped yesterday, were returned unharmed within a fixed time. The date was not announced. [The period was fixed at forty-eight hours, Reuters reported.]

The execution of Dov Gruner, Zionist terrorist for whom the two Britons are believed being held as hostages, was stayed today by Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, the British commander. Gruner was to be hanged tomorrow.

Cunningham Summons Leaders

General Cunningham summoned to his residence Mrs. Golda Meyerson, political director of the Jewish Agency for Palestine; Eliezer Kaplan, treasurer of the agency's executive, and Israel Rokach, Mayor of Tel Aviv. He told them that, unless the victims were returned unharmed within a stated period, "steps would be taken to withdraw the civil administration and facilities from certain areas which would be placed under military control."

Members of the agency's executive now here are scheduled to assemble tomorrow to review the position. They are in constant communication with their colleagues in London. The Jewish National Council's executive may also meet to consider the latest developments.

As Mayor Rokach was among those called by General Cunningham, it was generally assumed that the military measures would primarily affect the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv. Tonight its 200,000 inhabitants, with 160,000 Jewish residents of Jerusalem and Haifa, were ordered by General Barker to stay indoors from 5:30 P. M. until further notice. Simultaneously he banned all civilian traffic on all roads in the districts of Haifa, Galilee, Samaria and Lydda and the sub-district of Jerusalem until 6 A. M. tomorrow.

30 Men in Kidnapping

The kidnapping of Judge Windham, heir to an ancient baronetcy, was apparently well planned. At least thirty men must have been engaged.

Judge Windham was hearing a case in court when armed men appeared at three court room entrances. Simultaneously, four men stood up in the public section behind the counsels' seats and produced revolvers. A blond masked man shouted: "Don't move or we shoot." Two men took the unresisting judge by the elbows, hurried him to a back door, where a car was waiting with its engine running, and drove off. Other terrorists entered the clerks' offices, held up the occupants at revolver point and cut the telephone wires.

The search for Mr. Collins revealed no clue to his whereabouts. But two Jews were removed for further questioning, it was officially announced.

The British administration warned British civilians by radio to stay at home and not go out unnecessarily. It cited the danger of kidnapping.

Tel Aviv Search Seen

JERUSALEM, Jan. 27 (U.P.)—Judge Windham's kidnapping caused the British Army to give up its search for Mr. Collins in Jerusalem and to concentrate on Tel Aviv. It was believed that all the city's 16,000 buildings would be searched and all 200,000 inhabitants would be questioned.

Mayor Rokach offered to "mediate" with the underground organization Irgun Zvai Leumi, bargaining Mr. Collins' return for the commutation of Gruner's sentence, but his offer was refused by the Government. Even before Judge Windham's abduction, General Cunningham had emphasized that he would not bargain for Mr. Collins' release.

Mayor Rokach will broadcast to his city later today a demand that Judge Windham and Mr. Collins be released immediately.

It was believed that General Cunningham's ultimatum might possibly stir the Zionist underground army Haganah into action against the Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern gang, which are held solely responsible for the most recent violence. It was pointed out that Jewish leaders and Haganah must decide within the next two days whether to challenge the dissidents or otherwise face the strictest military campaign ever seen in Palestine. Haganah is known to have a blueprint for drastic action against the Irgunists and Sternists, including the mass kidnapping of their leaders.

Fate of Second Briton Held as Hostage Still in Doubt—His Release Promised

January 28th, 1947

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 28—One of the two hostages kidnapped by Zionist terrorists was released tonight about five miles from Tel Aviv.

The other's fate is still in doubt although the Irgun Zvai Leumi promised in pamphlets to release both men. The release came less than twenty-four hours before vital parts of Palestine were to be placed under statutory martial law.

The man released is Judge Ralph Windham of Tel Aviv. He telephoned Jaffa police tonight that he had been freed and was at the Yerushalmy factory, a textile plant in Nahalat, near Ramat Gan. Mr. Windham returned home tonight, saying he had been well fed, unharmed and generally well taken care of.

Blindfolded When Freed

The terrorists had told him there was no personal feeling against him but he represented a Government and a policy that they abhorred. He had been taken from his court in an automobile and blindfolded almost immediately. His next destination was a small

Another on of many Lehi Z'vai Leumi & Stern Gang bombings

hut that he later discovered, was near Ramat Gan. There he was kept under guard. When the decision was made to release him, he was again blindfolded and told to walk along a road leading toward the textile factory. When he thought he was safe he removed the blindfolds and continued to the factory.

Earlier tonight the Irgun Zvai Leumi had announced that both hostages would be released "shortly." This led to searches of streets throughout Jerusalem tonight for former Maj. H. A. I. Collins, a former Government official who was believed to have been held here, and similar searches in Tel Aviv for Judge Windham, who was abducted yesterday.

Both were held as hostages by terrorists after the confirmation of the death sentence of an Irgun member, Dov Gruner, who was to have died today for his part in an attack on a police headquarters last April but who was reprieved. The terrorists said they were freeing the hostages "not because of the threats of the head of the occupation [British] forces to impose martial law on the occupied country but because the practical aim has been achieved. Dov Gruner was not executed. If a crime is committed against him or any other soldier we will not withdraw from any action which will prove to the subjugator that the price which they will have to pay for executing a Jewish warrior is too high."

Collins Had Broken Arm

Mr. Collins was kidnapped from his home on Sunday. He was suffering from a broken arm and had a nurse in attendance when the terrorists struck. [Reports that he too had been released were not confirmed, other sources said.]

Up to shortly before midnight Mr. Collins had not been found. It was believed he might be wandering about the Jerusalem roads, probably in a daze.

However, those who had seen the place from which he was abducted did not subscribe to this view. He had been chloroformed and then beaten on the head before being carried away. There were pools of blood on his floor, according to friends who visited there soon after the abduction. He is at least 58 years old.

Officials Doubtful

Late tonight even Governmen officials had doubts. It was hoped that he was in a hospital somewhere and having proper care.

The immediate cause of all the current tension is Gruner, who has declined to appeal. He feels that he is a soldier and should die as one.

Yesterday his attorney, Asher Levitsky, went to Gruner at the suggestion of Gruner's sister, Mrs. Helen Friedman of Lancaster, Pa., to ask him to appeal. Gruner was adamant. Today, Chief Rabbi Isaac Hertzog made another attempt, asking Gruner to authorize Mr. Levitsky to seek permission from the judicial committee of the House of Lords to appeal to King George's Privy Council. The result of this visit was undetermined tonight.

Benjamin Netenyahu makes an impromptu visit to a field hospital in the Golan Heights, Syria, sometime in 2017. The Golan Heights is still legally owned by Syria according to international legislation signed by Israel yet Israeli Zionist military forces occupy the territory. The Genie Oil Company incorporated in Delaware and owned by Rothschild, Cheney, Eitan and Murdock intend to drill for oil. Effie Eitan headed Israeli intelligence so Bibi will certainly do everything in his political power to facilitate drilling. Here, above, Bibi meets with a recovering ISIS terrorist who, once fully recovered from his wounds, will head back to Syria to fight for western governments, the USA, Israel and what can only be called "*Israel's war on Syria*" with the sovereign country of Iran not far behind. This Zionist Hospital on the Syrian border "*repairs broken ISIS fighters*".

Britain to Take 500,000 Refugees, 80,000 Jews, to Aid Her Economy

January 28th, 1947

By MICHAEL L. HOFFMAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Jan. 28—The admission of a half million displaced persons to relieve Britain's manpower shortage has been agreed upon by the Ministry of Labor and the Trades Union Congress, it was learned today.

As a result of continuous pressure by the Cabinet, faced with accumulating evidence of Britain's deteriorating economic position, union leaders are understood to have agreed under two conditions to a drastic move to break the vicious circle of shortages. The first is that the immigrants shall become subject to union rules and standards. The second is that the immigrants shall be selected individually on a basis of their skills and general suitability for Britain's most seriously undermanned industries—coal, foundries, textiles and agriculture.

The first public indication of a change in the trade unions' traditional position of opposition to foreign labor came in an article by E. P. Harries, secretary of the manpower commission of the Trades Union Congress, published in today's Evening Standard. In an analysis of the manpower problem, Mr. Harries wrote:

"It seems to the TUC that there is only one way of attempting to solve the manpower shortages, and that is by the importation of foreign labor."

It was only last week, after the release of the White Paper painting a gloomy picture of Britain's economic health, that the Government began seriously to consider the use of a large amount of foreign labor. While details of the scheme have not been passed upon by the Cabinet, it is understood that the T. U. C. has agreed that up to 80,000 of the immigrants may be Jews from displaced persons camps.

Two other aspects of the manpower problem received attention in Parliament today. Frederick J. Bellenger, Secretary of War, said that 355,224 prisoners of war were still in Britain at the end of December. Most of these prisoners are in the agricultural labor force and most of them are likely to leave within the next twelve months.

George Isaacs, Minister of Labor, disclosed in answer to a question in the House of Commons that of 142,000 Poles eligible for resettlement under the Government's program for members of the former Polish Army only 2,100 had so far been employed as civilians in Britain.

The smallness of this figure led to criticism from both sides of the House. Mr. Isaacs also said that about 52,000 Poles had enrolled in the Polish Resettlement Corps, while 58,000 others were in Britain but still in uniform.

The latter are working on "Polish administration, maintenance of their own camps and other War Department and civilian work," the Minister said.

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BRITISH EVACUATE PALESTINE!

Above, women, children and non-essential personnel leave Royal Air Force planes at the Almaza Airport near Cairo, Egypt, photographed on Thursday, February 6th, 1947, headed from Palestine back to Britain. These British personnel were ordered to leave Palestine immediately to avoid Zionist terrorism against British personnel and civilians. Below, T.E. Lawrence at left with American journalist Lowell Thomas. Lawrence wanted all of Arabia restored to the Arabs—it had been taken over by the Ottoman Empire 500 years before. In 1915 the British government promised Sherif Hussein of Mecca an independent Arabian state if he assisted with a revolt against the Ottoman's. However, the following year the British government signed, in secret, the Sykes-Picot agreement with France wherein Syria and part of Arabia would be divided up between the two once the Ottoman's had been defeated. Nobody bothered to tell Sherif Hussein or the Arab warriors defeating the Ottoman's on Britain's behalf. Just another broken agreement of 100s.

Hundreds of Jews Screened

JERUSALEM, Jan. 30 (AP)—British soldiers and police rounded up several hundred Jews in hastily erected screening pens in the Montefiore quarter of Jerusalem and combed through ancient Jewish tombs today in a relentless hunt for kidnappers who seized two British hostages, then set them free.

All the Jews were soon released. The British rescinded an order for martial law in three Jewish cities —Tel Aviv, Petah Tikvah and Ramat Gan—however, and tension eased somewhat throughout the country.

H. A. I. Collins, banker and retired army major, who was seized on Sunday, was released late last night. He spent seventy-eight hours in a still-unlocated iron-barred cave where a doctor "stitched" his head wounds. A Government hospital report said he was recovering from his ordeal. Previously the abductors released Judge Ralph Windham, who was taken from his courtroom on Monday.

Authorities attributed both kidnappings to the Irgun-Zvai Leumi, a Zionist underground group, which held the two men as hostages for the death sentence on Dov Bela Gruner, an Irgun member. Gruner's execution for his part in an attack on a police station was stayed, pending an appeal.

Police searched the home of Rabbi J. L. Fishman, 72-year-old vice chairman of the Jewish Agency's executive. The search caused vigorous protests from agency leaders, and the army apologized later, saying the home had been entered by error.

British Troops Alerted

JERUSALEM, Jan. 30 (UP)—British troops received stand-to orders tonight. It was understood that Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, Commander in Chief, had moved his residence to the strongly protected villa of the High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham.

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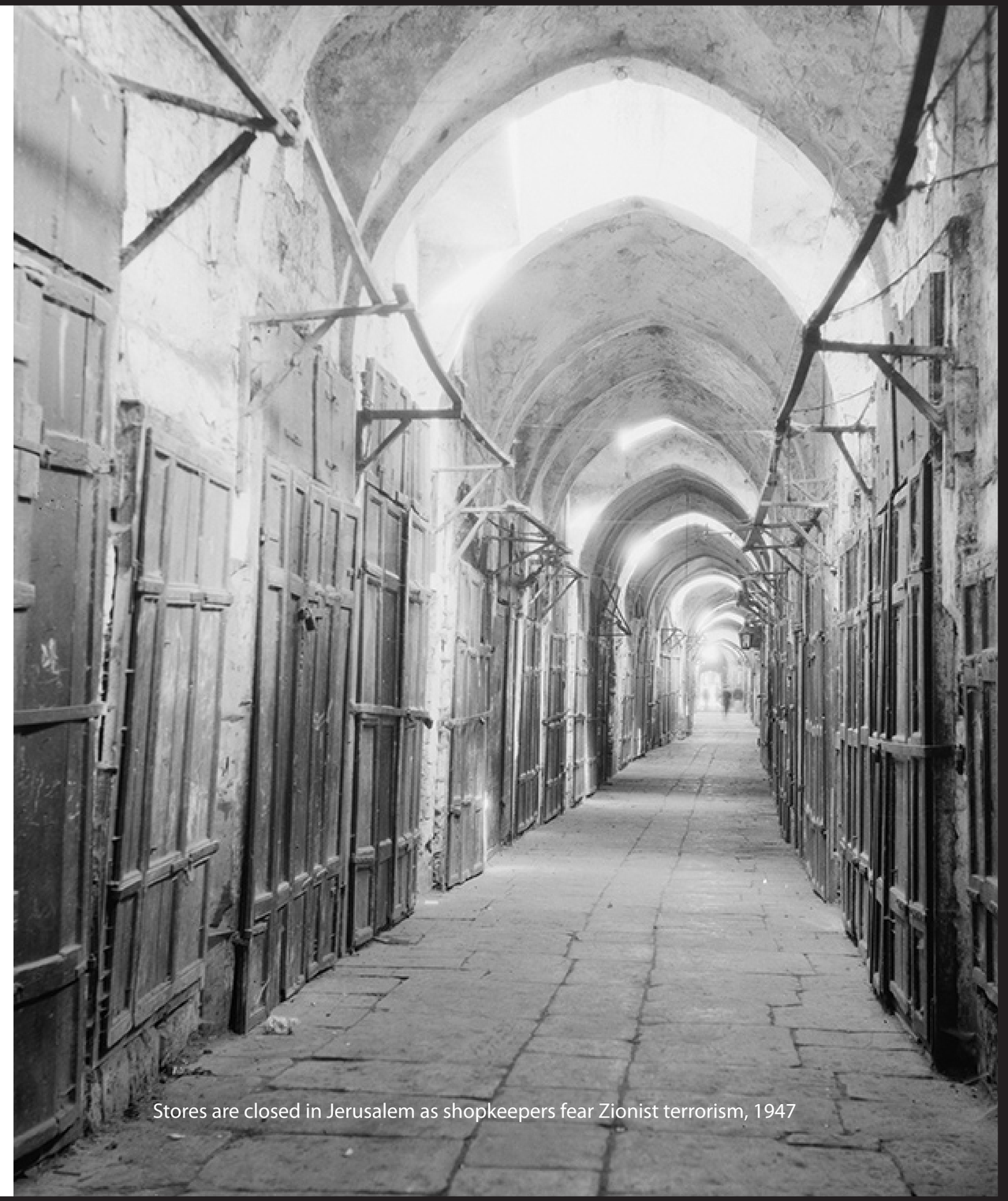


Stores are closed in Jerusalem as shopkeepers fear Zionist terrorism, 1947

ORDER COMPULSORY

Drastic Step Is Believed to Herald Statutory Martial Law Rule

REPORTERS ARE WARNED

Will Remain at Own Peril—Terrorist Withdraws His Death Penalty Appeal

January 31st, 1947

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 31—In the most drastic and dramatic step yet taken to combat terrorism, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan G. Cunningham, the High Commissioner, ordered today the evacuation of British women and children from Palestine.

Compliance with the order is compulsory for civilians, including Government officials. It is estimated that 2,000 women and children are affected. The families of military personnel will be moved to protected areas.

The evacuation order is believed to be the forerunner of statutory martial law. Amid protests from business men and others with interests in Palestine the evacuation machinery was already in operation tonight.

There are about 5,000 United States citizens in Palestine but their lives are not considered in danger. Terrorist action has been directed against military and Government officials only. However, Consul General Lowell C. Pinkerton has recommended to the State Department that every facility be granted to those Americans who would like to leave.

Covers All British Subjects

The order issued by General Cunningham under the Defense Emergency Regulations of 1937 will directly or indirectly affect every British [including the Dominions] subject in Palestine. It is not expected that pressure will be applied to Palestinians with passports who have been here over ten years although under the order they, too, will be advised to leave. They number about 5,000.

The wives and children of Government officials, unless the wives are essentially employed, will be ordered out within the next few days or as soon as transportation is available. The order also includes the families of British police officers although in this case the order is on the optional plane. Those in this category will be advised to go but if they choose to stay the Government will not be responsible for their safety.

The same applies to British newspaper correspondents who were advised to leave the country as "soon as possible" in the interests of their own safety. If they choose to remain the Government will accept no responsibility for their safety. A Government spokesman here classed them today as "non-essential citizens." All of them, many former war correspondents, announced that they would stay and objected formally to the characterization.

Terrorist Withdraws Appeal

Today's sensational development, which brought tension to a new high, followed another. Dov Gruner, terrorist who was to be hanged on Tuesday but who received a respite when he agreed to appeal from the death sentence, has now declined to appeal.

This puts him back in the shadow of the gallows and the situation reverts to where it was originally when the terrorists threatened retaliation if he were killed.

Irgun Zvai Leumi recently abducted a district judge from his court and a former army major when it appeared that Gruner was about to be hanged. Irgun Zvai Leumi released both when the respite was granted. Now there is the imminent possibility of a repetition of this procedure or some other retaliatory measure unless the High Commissioner commutes the sentence.

There is considerable speculation in Palestine as to what lies behind the Government order for evacuation. The general impression is that a drastic step such as some form of martial law is intended. It is argued that unless the Government intended some such step it would not execute this emergency action in advance of some overt act by the terrorists.

Many Protest Against Order

Among Government and civilian families who have been ordered evacuated there are mounting complaints and protests against the order. Many here have no place to go, no friends abroad with whom to stay and, finally, no desire to leave regardless of the alleged danger to their safety. Many have had their homes here for years, have long-term leases, their children in school and are otherwise well established in the land they have adopted.

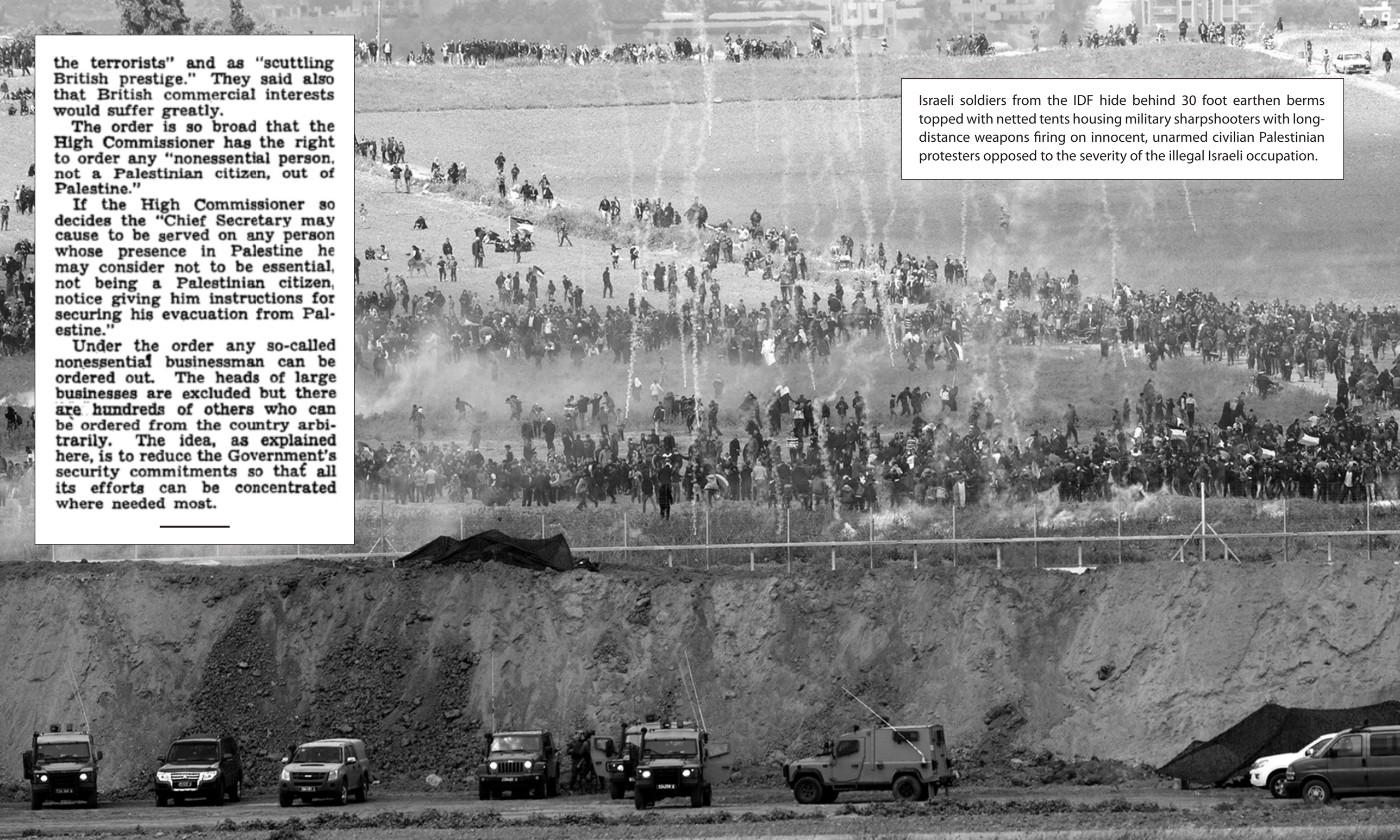
Other protests came from representative business men here whose wives and families would be affected by the order. They have sent a message to London protesting the action as "surrendering to the terrorists" and as "scuttling

the terrorists" and as "scuttling British prestige." They said also that British commercial interests would suffer greatly.

The order is so broad that the High Commissioner has the right to order any "nonessential person, not a Palestinian citizen, out of Palestine."

If the High Commissioner so decides the "Chief Secretary may cause to be served on any person whose presence in Palestine he may consider not to be essential, not being a Palestinian citizen, notice giving him instructions for securing his evacuation from Palestine."

Under the order any so-called nonessential businessman can be ordered out. The heads of large businesses are excluded but there are hundreds of others who can be ordered from the country arbitrarily. The idea, as explained here, is to reduce the Government's security commitments so that all its efforts can be concentrated where needed most.



Israeli soldiers from the IDF hide behind 30 foot earthen berms topped with netted tents housing military sharpshooters with long-distance weapons firing on innocent, unarmed civilian Palestinian protesters opposed to the severity of the illegal Israeli occupation.

JEWS IN PALESTINE REJECT ULTIMATUM ON HELP TO BRITISH

National Council Refuses to Join Campaign to Suppress Holy Land Terrorists

IRGUN REITERATES STAND

Says It Will Fight Government 'to Last Breath'—Civilian Evacuation Continues

February 5th, 1947

By The Associated Press.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 5—The Jewish national council rejected tonight a British ultimatum giving official Jewry until Tuesday to join in stamping out Palestine terrorism. The Irgun Zvai Leumi, an "underground" group, asserted it would "fight to the last breath" against British authority.

In a formal resolution, the national council—Vaad Leumi—told its executive to draft a full answer "in accord with the sentiments" of speeches at tonight's council session, which unanimously expressed opposition to the ultimatum. Members of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and mayors of Jewish towns attended the council's meeting.

The British had warned the agency and national council that they faced the possible imposition of martial law unless they cooperated against underground groups that have resorted to violence against the British. The Irgun's latest expression of defiance, which appealed to "the peoples of the world to come to our help," was contained in a note given to newspaper correspondents by the group.

Evacuation Progresses

It was received as Royal Air Force bombers, each carrying seventeen civilians and one conducting officer, shuttled between Jerusalem and Cairo, evacuating approximately 2,000 British women and children in line with the order issued by the Palestine Government last week. Today about 350 civilians were evacuated by air while 360 others went by train to Egypt, their first stop en route to England.

An unofficial but highly regarded informant said that, if the Jewish Agency refused to assist the British against the Irgun and the Stern gang, the British would withdraw official recognition from the agency. This source said such a withdrawal would probably be announced in a White Paper to be issued on Tuesday.

[The Colonial Office in London declined to say whether it was preparing a White Paper.]

Both the Jewish Agency and its own armed force, Haganah, have refused to cooperate with the British, saying the Jews would not become a "nation of informers." Haganah's spokesman has said it would move against the underground provided it received "a free hand."

New Security Measures

New security measures continued to be imposed by the British today with the announcement of the "segmentation" of Jerusalem into four security areas. Almost 1,000 persons, mostly Jews, were evacuated from their homes to make way for secured areas that will presumably be occupied by Government and possibly military officers.

No appeal has yet been filed on behalf of Dov Bela Gruner, convicted member of the Irgun who is under death sentence. There was no official word of his eventual fate. Jewish leaders fear his execution will signal reprisals from the Irgun and the imposition of martial law in some areas by the British.

New Outbreak in Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV, Jan. 3 (AP) — Three heavy explosions rocked Tel Aviv tonight and were followed by machine-gun fire. There was no immediate official statement on the incident.

BRITISH INCREASE PALESTINE GUARD

End of Ultimatum to Zionists Awaited—Arabs' Call to 'Holy War' Feared

February 6th, 1947

JERUSALEM, Feb. 6 (AP)—British military traffic echoed ominously tonight throughout all Palestine.

British trucks moved into new security compounds in this city as almost 1,000 embittered Jews moved out. Barbed-wire barricades sprang up in anticipation of a decision that, many believe, will cut this country into Arab and Zionist states.

Next Tuesday may be the day of decision. It is then, according to highly placed informants, that a partition announcement may come from London. It is then, also, that Dov Bela Gruner, condemned for terrorism, may be hanged. This may be the signal for violent reprisals from his underground organization, the Irgun Zvai Leumi

End of Ultimatum Period

Tuesday is also the first day after the deadline for the seven-day 'timatum given Zionist leaders by the Palestine Government to cooperate in bringing terrorists to book. Last night the Zionist leaders, holding the order tantamount to asking the Jews to become informers and spies, rejected the demand.

The result may be a general crack-down by the British Government and army against terrorism in general, probably accompanied by some form of martial law, curfews and even a possible dissolution of official bodies such as the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Jewish national council.

[In London, Colonial Secretary Arthur Creech Jones told the House of Commons that the demand for cooperation against terrorists was not an ultimatum but a request "for an answer to a specific question" within seven days.]

White Paper Expected

An informant who cannot be identified said it was widely expected that the Government would issue a White Paper indicting the Jewish Agency for its refusal to help in curbing terror and would issue the document during a suddenly imposed curfew that would paralyze the entire country. During such a period, he said, Gruner may be hanged and the Irgun may rise to avenge him.

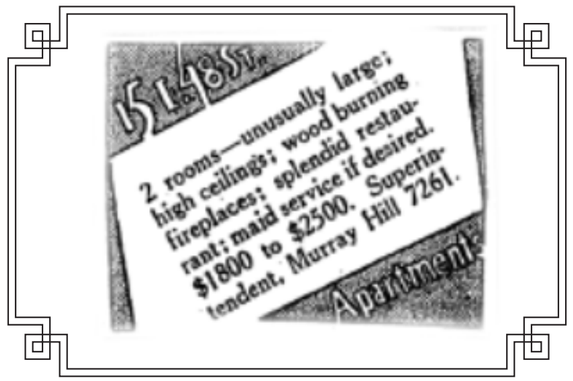
New troops, units of the Third Infantry Division, are now here. Four residential areas were being emptied of Jewish residents and turned into barbed-wire compounds. Their homes will make up "Area B" of the new security sectors of the city. Troops who will guard the area will be billeted there, along with a number of Palestine Government officials, who, having sent away their wives and children, are now ordered to move to places where the military can guarantee their safety.

Police confirmed reports that Itzkhak Yesternitsky, arrested last August during the screening of residents in the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv, had escaped with four others from a detention camp in Eritrea a month ago. Yesternitsky was once second in command of the Stern gang.

"Holy War" Feared

JERUSALEM, Feb. 6 (U.P.)—Arab leaders were reported today to be preparing for a "holy war" against the British if the Palestine partition plan were carried out. The Arab illegal army, Najada, has already asked support from other Arab countries.

Leaders of the Najada have scheduled a meeting in Cairo for Feb. 22 with representatives of the Arab League. Palestine Arabs said this would be followed by similar meetings in other Moslem countries.



IN NEW COMMAND

Lieutenant General Sir Gordon Holmes Alexander MacMillan, pictured above, took over as the head of the British troops in Palestine and Trans-Jordan in February of 1947. Soon after MacMillan's arrival the British government decided to bring to an end its mandate in Palestine as a result of its exhaustion from Zionist terrorism and the political influence of the Rothschilds in Britain and numerous wealthy and influential American Jews. The decision to forego its mandate and leave Palestine triggered an extraordinary escalation in Zionist terrorism and violence leading to the withdrawal of all British troops by the 30th of June in 1948. Within days the Zionist massacres of the Palestinian population began, plan Dalit was implemented and Palestine cleansed of Arabs.

GRUNER A BRITISH VETERAN

February 6th, 1947

Prisoner Served 5 Years—Denies Taking Part in Crime

JERUSALEM, Feb. 6 (U.P.)—A former lance corporal in the British Army is the pivotal figure in that army's expected showdown with the Zionist underground in Palestine.

He is Dov Bela Gruner, 33 years old. His scheduled execution date passed while he waited in the central prison. The Zionist underground chose his case as a challenge to the British Army. The current crisis resulted.

Branded by the British a zealot of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, Gruner was convicted and condemned for taking part in an underground raid on the Ramat Gan police station. He was trapped by police in the raid only five weeks after he had been discharged from the army. His version was that he was looking for a job in the vicinity of the police station when gunfire broke out. His war-developed reflexes caused him to dive into a weed patch along a road, he said. He hit his head on a stone and awoke in a cell, he added.

Gruner joined the army soon after he came here as an unauthorized immigrant. He volunteered for a Commando unit but was rejected. He spent most of the war in Libya while the Africa Corps, the Italians and the British were surging back and forth across the Western Desert. Finally he took part in the battle of Italy and eventually went with the Jewish brigade to Austria and Belgium.

Gruner was born in Hungary, a member of a middle-class orthodox Jewish family. His father was an accountant in a Budapest store. He spent two years in school in Budapest and two more years in a German university. Gruner fled to Rumania in 1940 and then came here.

At right is the Russian Monastery of Ascension on the Mount of Olives, founded to oversee the thousands of Orthodox Russians flocking to the Holy Land. On the buildings iron gate a sign remains legible and reads, in Russian, Ecclesiastical Mission. The first Russian Ecclesiastical mission arrived in Palestine in 1847 under the leadership of Archimandrite Porphyrius Uspensky, primarily to conduct archeological research and organize religious pilgrimages from Russia by ship to the Holy Land. The start of World War I saw funding dry up and church clergy and staff closed their churches in Palestine and left for Russia.

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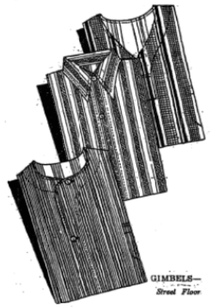

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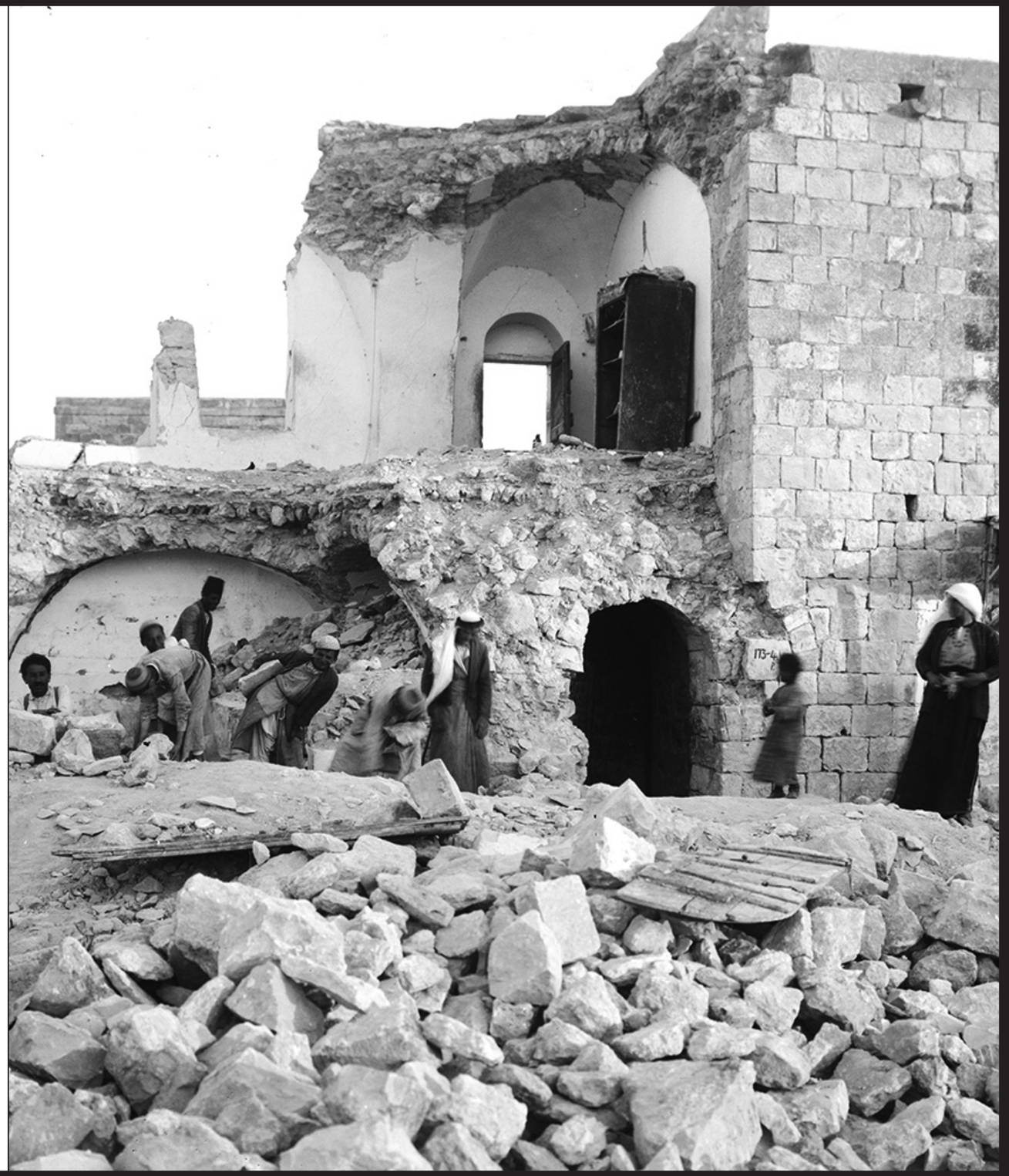

3 MORE TERRORISTS IN PALESTINE GET DEATH SENTENCES

Underground Threatens to Hit Back—Zionists Formally Refuse to Aid Police

LONDON SOLUTION FAILS

February 10th, 1947

Both Sides Reject Proposal for Partition—Problem May Go to United Nations

By GENE CURRIVAN
Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 10—A military court sentenced three Palestine terrorists tonight to be hanged and a fourth to life imprisonment. The underground had already announced that it would no longer await the confirmation of death sentences but would act at once.

This development coincided with the formal refusal of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Jewish National Council [Vaad Leumi] to cooperate with the Government against the terrorists. The High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, had given both organizations seven days in which to call on the Jewish community to cooperate with the police and armed forces. The ultimatum expired today.

Gruner May Die Today

To add further to the present tension, another terrorist, Dov Gruner, already sentenced to death, may be hanged tomorrow. No date is known to have been set but he has refused to sign an appeal and generally all executions are carried out on Tuesdays.

[On instructions from lawyers in Palestine, London attorneys filed a petition on Monday for special leave to appeal Gruner's sentence. The appeal was made to the Privy Council on Gruner's behalf by attorneys acting for his uncle Frank Gruner, an American.

[In London both the Arabs and the Zionists made plain their rejection of Britain's proposed solution for Palestine. It was expected that the next session of the Palestine conference would be the last and that the problem would be given to the United Nations. The text of Britain's memorandum on her plan appears on page 12.]

Those sentenced tonight were convicted of carrying and possessing arms. They were caught on the night of Dec. 29, just after terrorists had flogged three British soldiers in retaliation for a judicial flogging of a terrorist. Dov Rosenbaum, 24-year-old engineer; Elieser Kashani, 23, a diamond polisher, and Mordecai Alkachi, 21, a car driver, were sentenced to death. Chaim Gorovelski, 17, a diamond polisher, was sentenced to life imprisonment. Alkachi, who was shot when captured, appeared in court with his face bandaged. A fifth man, also shot at the time, died later, it was announced today.

The prisoners, who alleged that they had been "tortured" after their capture, insisted that this man had been only slightly wounded. They charged soldiers with his murder.

They were captured while trying to crash through a road block in a taxi. It was discovered that they had two bull whips, four match bombs, a Thompson sub-machine gun, two pistols and seventy-four rounds of ammunition. Rosenbaum testified that they were on the way to flog a British officer.

Subject to Confirmation

The sentences are subject to confirmation by Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, who is scheduled to relinquish his command next Saturday. This duty may fall to his successor. The decision will be vital and may have a bearing on future terrorist activities.

Both the Jewish Agency and the National Council based their refusals of cooperation with the Government on its policy of restricting immigration that resulted from the White Paper of 1939. The Agency, after drawing attention to its earlier resolutions and decisions to resist terrorism, said:

"The community, however, does not feel itself able to do so in the manner suggested in your letter. However determined to oppose terrorism, it cannot in this matter make use of the resources of a Government which is enforcing a policy regarded by the community as a breach of the fundamental law of the country—a view in which it has been upheld by numerous utterances made in the past by present members of His Majesty's Government."

Agency Blames Government

Mrs. Golda Meyerson, head of the Jewish Agency's political department, said in a seven-point letter: "The struggle against terrorism cannot be divorced from the political circumstances which have given rise to this terrible aberration. Terrorism has its roots in the despair and bitterness engendered by the White Paper policy which the Government is steadily pursuing."

Saying that the Jewish community condemned and would resist terrorist activities with the means at its disposal, she added: "It can-

not, however, be called upon to place itself at the disposal of the Government for fighting the evil consequences of a policy which is that of the Government's own making and which Yishuv [the Jewish community] regards as a menace to its existence."

For these reasons, the letter continued, any appeal to the community as suggested by the Government "would not only be ineffective but likely to cause harm rather than good." She expressed confidence that the community could by itself bring about "progress and an improvement in the security situation."

The national council also took the line that only political concessions could make terrorism disappear. It argued that the catastrophe that overtook the Jews in the war and the denial of permission to the survivors of European Jewry to enter Palestine had "so affected a small group in Yishuv as to bring about complete aberration of mind."

Court Officials Threatened

JERUSALEM, Feb. 10 (AP)—Military authorities said tonight that they "frankly expect" an early outbreak by the Irgun Zvai Leumi, to which the condemned men belong. Reliable reports said that the court's president, Col. Michael Fell, and the prosecutor, Maj. E. W. Stubbs, had received threatening telephone calls in which they were told that, if the death sentences were imposed, "you will be our targets."

New Jerusalem Restrictions

JERUSALEM, Feb. 10 (U.P.)—British authorities today ordered virtual martial law clamped down on Jerusalem effective on Thursday.

At noon on Thursday 3,000 British civilians here will be restricted around the clock to a security zone of two square kilometers [.77 square mile]. The city's entire population, estimated at 170,000, will be restricted to four major zones or cantons and will be forbidden to move from one zone to another except under armed guard. Everyone will have to carry an identity pass.

Gruner's Sister Leaves

After a week's delay attributed to bad flying weather and mechanical failures, Mrs. Helen Friedman, Gruner's sister, left for Palestine yesterday by plane. She came from her Lancaster, Pa., home to appeal to officials and to urge her brother to plead for clemency.

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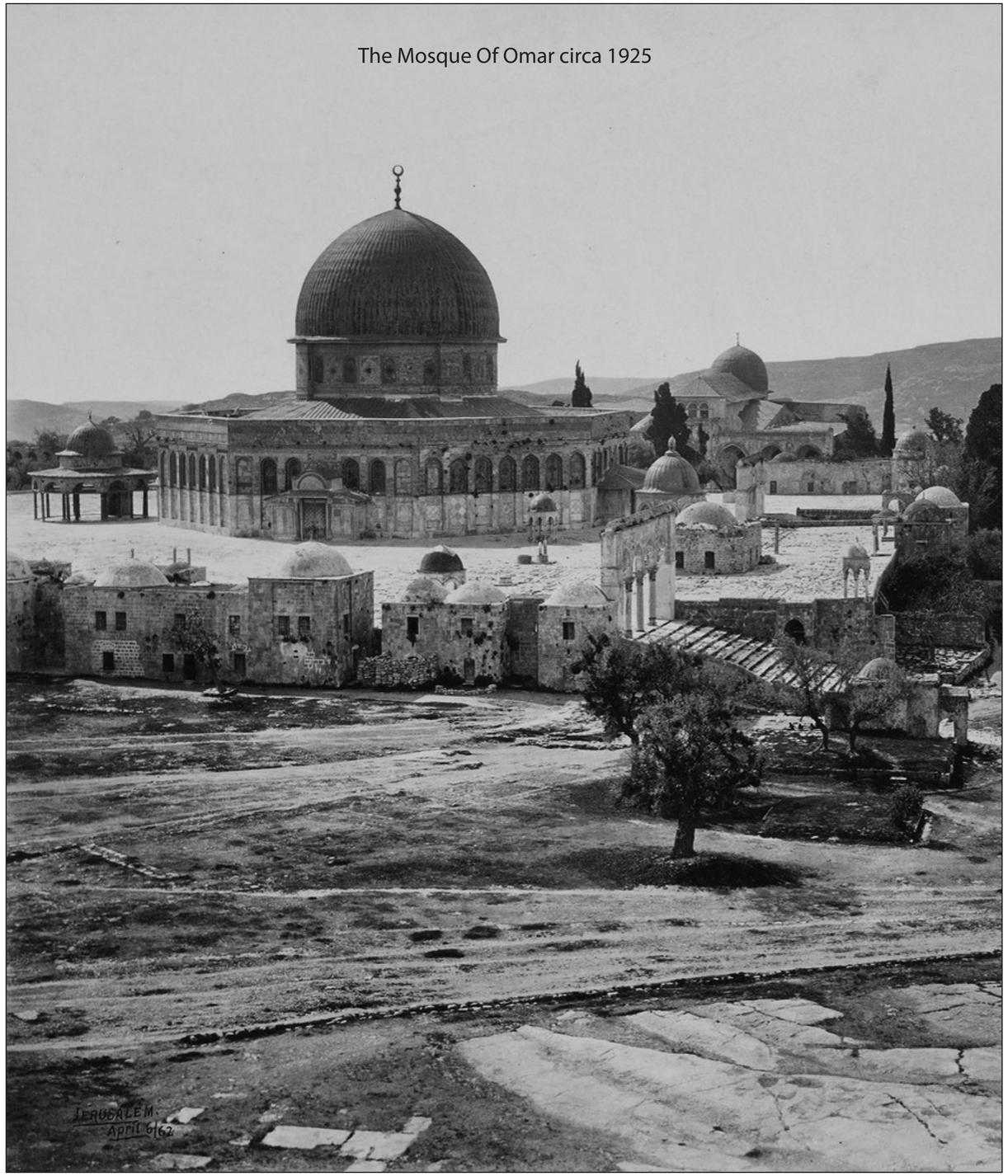

The Mosque Of Omar circa 1925

TWO BRITISH BOATS ATTACKED IN HAIFA

One Sunk, Second Damaged by Under-Water Blasts— Mrs. Friedman Arrives

February 13th, 1947

JERUSALEM, Feb. 13 (U.P.)— Under-water explosions believed to have been set off by rubber-clad divers of the Irgun Zvai Leumi sank a Government-owned fishing launch and damaged a military landing craft in the Haifa harbor today.

The bottom was blown out of the launch and it sank at once. The landing craft remained afloat. The announcement of the attacks did not mention casualties.

The British have apparently been expecting under-water attacks for some time. Yesterday it was announced that a depth bomb had been detonated in the harbor as a precautionary measure, but events leading to the depth-bombing were not disclosed. British forces stationed in Haifa immediately doubled precautions and strung new barbed-wire entanglements around the port area.

Viewed as Rehearsal

It was believed that the explosions were a rehearsal for new attacks to be made against deportation transports. A new unauthorized immigrant ship has been reported sighted off the Palestine coast and its passengers would be brought into Haifa for transfer to a transport for deportation to Cyprus.

Lieut. Gen. G. H. A. MacMillan, British commander in Palestine replacing Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, arrived here today simultaneously with the imposition of virtual martial law in the city at noon. New regulations prohibiting movement from one to another of four huge barbed-wire enclosures covering all Jerusalem were put into effect at noon here and similar "cantonization" schemes were enforced in Jaffa and Haifa.

As part of the sequestration, British troops began taking over the premises of the Jewish National Fund and requisitioned 100 more houses in the Rehavia quarter.

The High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, conferred at length with military authorities, and it was believed that they discussed the death sentences imposed on Zionist underground members.

Jewish sources admitted that relations between the moderate underground army, Haganah, and the Irgun Zvai Leumi were "seriously strained" as a result of clashes in Tel Aviv but there was no disposition to regard the clashes as the beginning of a fratricidal war. They said that only minor members of the two organizations had figured in the clashes and that apparently they had been neither planned nor approved by high underground leaders.

"The Old Woman's Dance" performed at Bethlehem Mission School, Palestine, circa 1900

PALESTINE SEALS 3 DEATH PENALTIES

Barker Confirms Sentence in Final Act—Haganah Admits Attack on Haifa Boats

February 14th, 1947

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 14—More fuel was added to Palestine's smoldering fire tonight with the official announcement that the death sentences imposed on three terrorists had been confirmed by Lieut. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker. A fourth sentence of life imprisonment was also confirmed.

The three sentenced to death were Dov Ben Falman Rosenbaum, 24 years of age; Eliezer Ben Zion Kashani, 23, and Mordecai Ben Abraham Alkachi, 21. Haim Ben Aharon Gorovevsky, 17, escaped with a life sentence because of his youth.

These apparently were the last official acts of the general commanding Palestine forces before he left two days ago. He has since been succeeded by Lieut. Gen. G. H. A. MacMillan, who hereafter will have to make these vital decisions. General MacMillan arrived yesterday.

It had been hoped here that the sentences would not be confirmed so that tension might be lessened. These youths were admittedly on their way to find a British officer to flog and were in possession of a bull whip, a submachine gun, bombs and pistols. But this was the first time that anyone had been sentenced to death here for "carrying weapons."

Meanwhile, in Jerusalem prison today Dov Bela Gruner, doomed terrorist, met his American sister, Mrs. Helen Friedman, for the first time in ten years. She arrived from the United States yesterday to plead with him to sign appeal papers against his sentence to hang. He has refused to appeal because he believes that he has been destined to die for the cause.

She met him today—with two yards of table between them. They talked about other days in Budapest where they last met and about their parents who, somehow, disappeared during the German occupation of Hungary. Mrs. Friedman said she did not have time to discuss the other matter but would do so at a later date.

She is trying to make an appointment with the High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan G. Cunningham, who has power to commute the sentence, but this has not yet been arranged. United States Consulate officials offered to help when she approached them today but they advised her first to make a routine application for an interview with Sir Alan.

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Dov Bela Gruner, below, was a Hungarian-born Zionist terrorist in Mandatory Palestine and member of the Irgun Z'vai Leumi. Born on December 6th, 1912, Gruner died on April 16th, 1947 when he was executed by the British authorities on charges of "*firing on policemen and setting explosive charges with the intent of killing personnel of His Majesty's service*". Gruner is honored in Zionist Israel as one of the "*Olei Hagardom*," or one of the twelve revered Jewish terrorists executed by British authorities.

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TWO MURDERS END LULL IN PALESTINE

Arab and Jew Are Victims—Third Man Is Kidnapped—Club Is Set on Fire

February 15th, 1946

JERUSALEM, Feb. 15. (AP)—Two slayings, a kidnapping, one arson attempt and other violence marked the traditionally quiet Jewish Sabbath today in the Holy Land.

Tension remained high in anticipation of underground retaliation following confirmation of death sentences for three young Jews convicted of carrying arms.

Assassins' guns cut down an Arab in Jaffa and a Jew in nearby Bne Brok.

At Petah Tikvah, a few miles northwest of Jaffa, two masked Jewish youths armed with machine guns and pistol entered a cafe and "forcibly abducted" Avichael Tanouri, another Jew, officials said. The incident was believed connected with recent encounters between Jewish groups urging violence against the British and those denouncing terrorism.

At Haifa, principal port city of Palestine, unknown persons set fire to the Hasomer Hatzair club, an organization strongly opposing terroristic tactics.

In the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv, which adjoins Jaffa, Maurice Cohen, a custodian, was injured seriously when a booby trap exploded in the basement of a building. Police said the basement had been occupied by two young Jews until six months ago, and since then had been locked.

An unofficial report from Tel Aviv said twenty young men who attempted to distribute leaflets of the Irgun Zvai Leumi at a meeting hall were attacked by others present and chased from the hall.

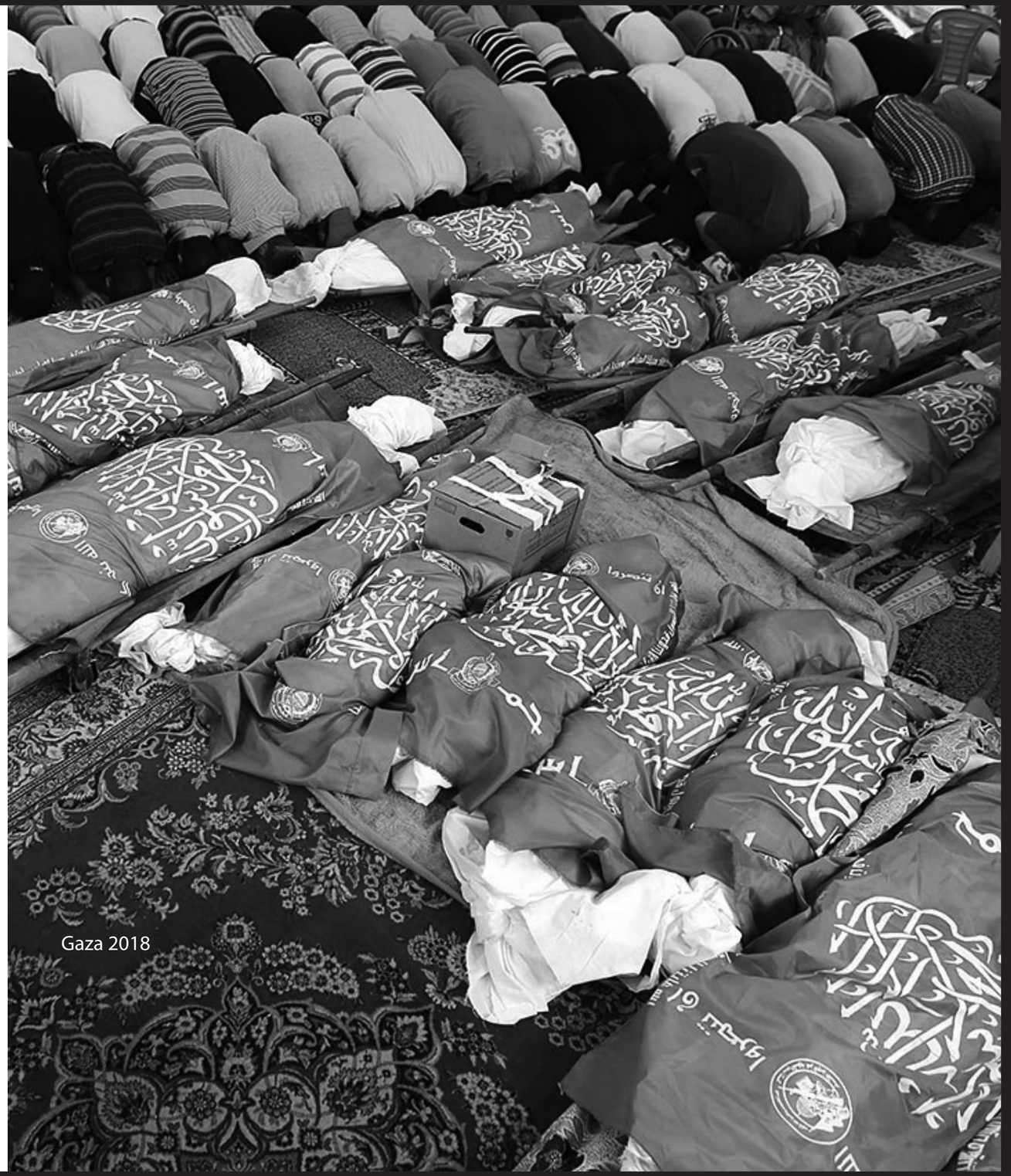
Six persons were wounded last night and early today in two shootings on Jerusalem's wide King George Avenue.

Because of the Sabbath no papers were published in Palestine today and the public was generally noncommittal on the British decision to refer the Palestine case to the United Nations.

Mrs. Helen Friedman, who flew from her Lancaster, Pa., home for the announced purpose of attempting to save the life of her brother, Dov Bela Gruner, condemned as a terrorist, visited his cell a second time today.

Attorney Asher Levitsky told reporters that Gruner had "declined to hear his sister's plea" that he appeal directly to the British Privy Council for clemency. Gruner already has received a stay of execution while the council considers his case, but he has refused to make a direct plea.

At right, children murdered by the Zionist colonizers during the Palestinian protests of 2018



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Slain Arab a Former Mayor

JERUSALEM, Feb. 15 (Reuters)—Sheith Ali Shankin, former mayor of Jaffa, was murdered at the door of his home in Jaffa last night by an unknown Arab, it was announced today.

It is believed the murder had a political motive.

With a number of Arab leaders Ali Shankin took refuge in Egypt during the Palestine Arab disorders in 1938. He was opposed to the leadership of the Mufti of Jerusalem.

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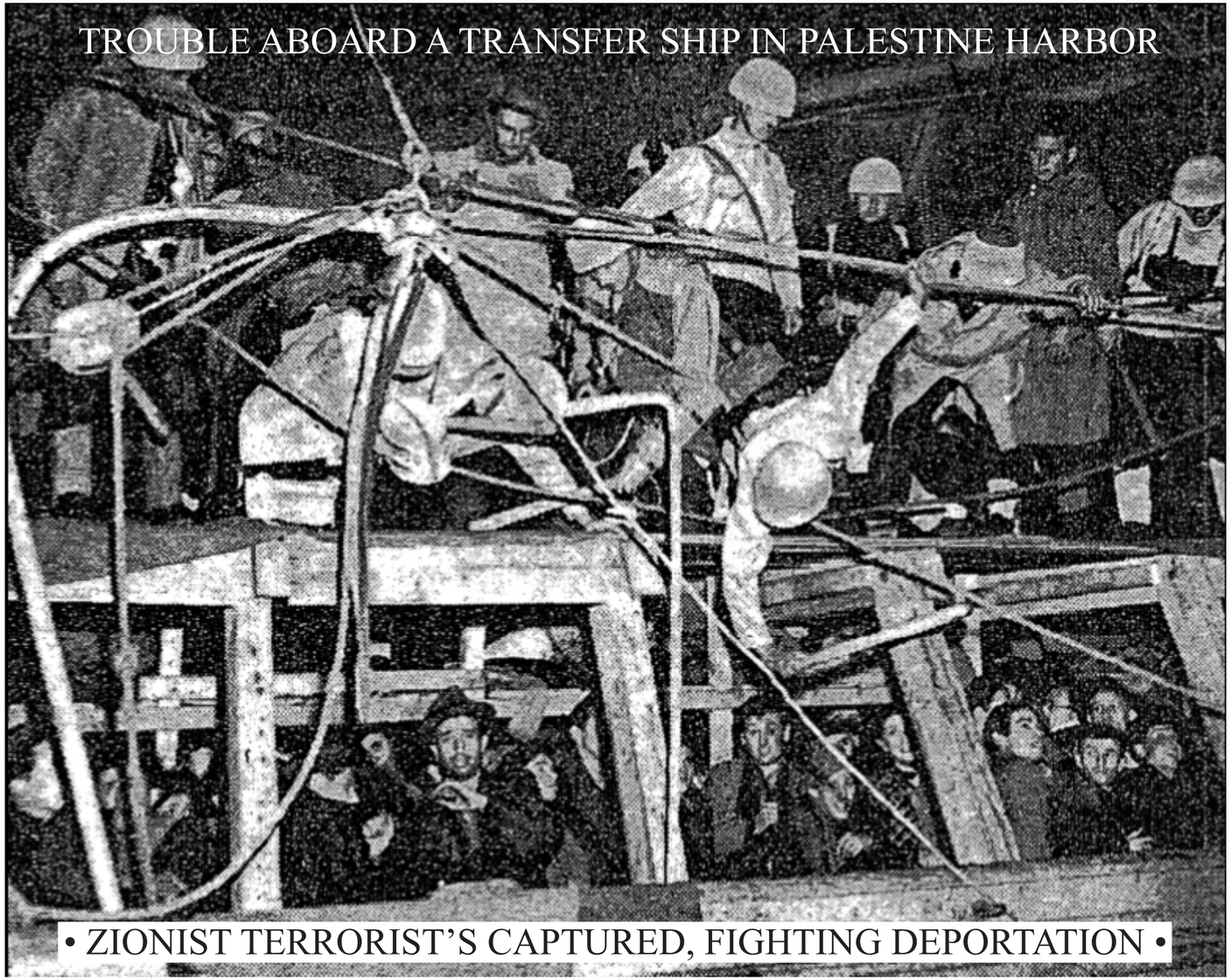
JERUSALEM, Feb. 15—There was some relief from tension here when it was learned unofficially that the three terrorists recently sentenced to death would not be executed until after the Dov Bela Gruner case had been decided in the Privy Council in London. Gruner was convicted and condemned some weeks ago.

At right, a British Naval boarding party on the schooner Lanegev at Haifa harbor, Palestine, attempting to quell a disturbance as Jewish illegal immigrant refugees were being disembarked from the Legenev for transfer to a British prison ship and transfer to a refugee camp on the island of Cyprus, near Greece, for deportation back to their country of original origin.

TROUBLE ABOARD A TRANSFER SHIP IN PALESTINE HARBOR



• ZIONIST TERRORIST'S CAPTURED, FIGHTING DEPORTATION •

JEWISH RESISTERS RULE IN TEL AVIV

Take Control of City for 6 Hours During Funeral of 4 Men Killed Attacking British

February 24th, 1947

JERUSALEM, Feb. 24 (U.P.)—Members of the Jewish resistance movement took over the modern city of Tel Aviv for six hours today as 50,000 agitated Jews attended the funeral of four raiders killed early on Friday in an unsuccessful attack against the British.

Not a single British soldier was in evidence in the city as one-third of the population marched through the streets in a mile-long funeral cortège honoring the dead Jews. They were shot when they attacked a British police mobile force at Sarona, a German colony near Tel Aviv.

The city's mass demonstration of solidarity with resistance groups surprised even the best-informed observers and caused the immediate recall of high Government officials from week-end resorts. Immediate consultations were scheduled and the army and police were ordered to stand by throughout Palestine. Some sources predicted that a major crisis was at hand.

Jewish Police Keep Order

A number of Jewish officers and men, assisted by special Jewish constabulary, maintained order in the city. British soldiers remained on the outskirts of the town and looked on as the cortège marched to the cemetery.

The Jewish resistance movement, an offshoot of the secret organization Haganah, organized the demonstration, distributed Haganah pamphlets freely and marched in the parade during the six hours when it controlled the town. Tel Aviv, a modern city of concrete and steel, is almost all Jewish.

The British military commander in northern Palestine imposed a curfew on the entire coastal area around the port of Haifa after last week's attack on Haifa police headquarters. The measure is the latest in a series of precautions taken to guard against increased terrorist attacks and to prevent an anticipated increase in illegal Jewish immigration that may coincide with the arrival of the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry on Palestine.

Both the Royal Air Force and the British Navy, it is reported, have been placed under a general alert entitled the "Palestine inquiry eve" operation.

Press Honors Dead

Jewish newspapers disclosed that Friday's attacks had been made by

members of the Jewish resistance movement and not by the extremist terrorist organization, Irgun Zvai Leuni, as was at first believed. The papers openly published black-bordered obituary notices giving the names of the four "victims" and their connection with the secret organization.

Many men and women in army, navy and air force uniforms and men wearing the caps of the Jewish volunteer special police marched in the cortège. The pallbearers included men in Jewish settlement police uniforms.

This open demonstration of sympathy with Jewish resistance aims by the entire Jewish community, which had previously disclaimed the terrorists and repeatedly deplored their methods, was regarded by informed observers as a turning point that might have far-reaching consequences. It was pointed out that the Government would henceforth be entitled to regard the 50,000 participants in the parade as members of resistance groups subject to recent emergency decrees specifying drastic punishment for membership in such organizations.

It was considered significant that the demonstration took place on the eve of the inquiry committee's arrival here and that it was witnessed by Chaim Weizman, president of the Zionist organization, who has arrived here to appear before the committee.

Observers pointed out that, because of the demonstration it would be idle to differentiate between Haganah, a Jewish secret army of 75,000 men, and the Jewish resistance movement, whose strength is uncertain.

The arrival of King Abdullah and entourage, Paris Peace Conference, 1919

TERRORISTS STRIKE 2 PALESTINE CITIES

Jerusalem, Haifa Outbreaks Follow Court's Refusal to Ban Deportations

March 4th, 1947

By CLIFTON DANIEL

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, March 5—Fusillades of machine-gun fire and rifle fire rattled around Jerusalem tonight after hand grenades had been thrown at a British military police vehicle on the perimeter of the martial law area in the northern part of the city.

A British lance corporal and a Palestinian constable were slightly wounded by the grenades. The attacks occurred near guard posts at two entrances to one of the British security zones in the center of the city.

An official statement said there was rifle fire in the neighborhood of the Goldsmith Club, which was blown up by terrorists last Saturday. Machine-gun fire was directed at a sand-bagged guard post near Terra Sancta College on King George Avenue. The guards returned the fire. Near Rehovoth, truck, killing the Jewish driver and wounding a passenger.

Section Darkened

During the hour's alert here an electric cable was cut and the Katamon area, where many consulates are situated, was left in darkness. While flares soared into the sky, police and Army scout cars roamed the streets and alleys, searching for the perpetrators of the attacks and firing weapons repeatedly.

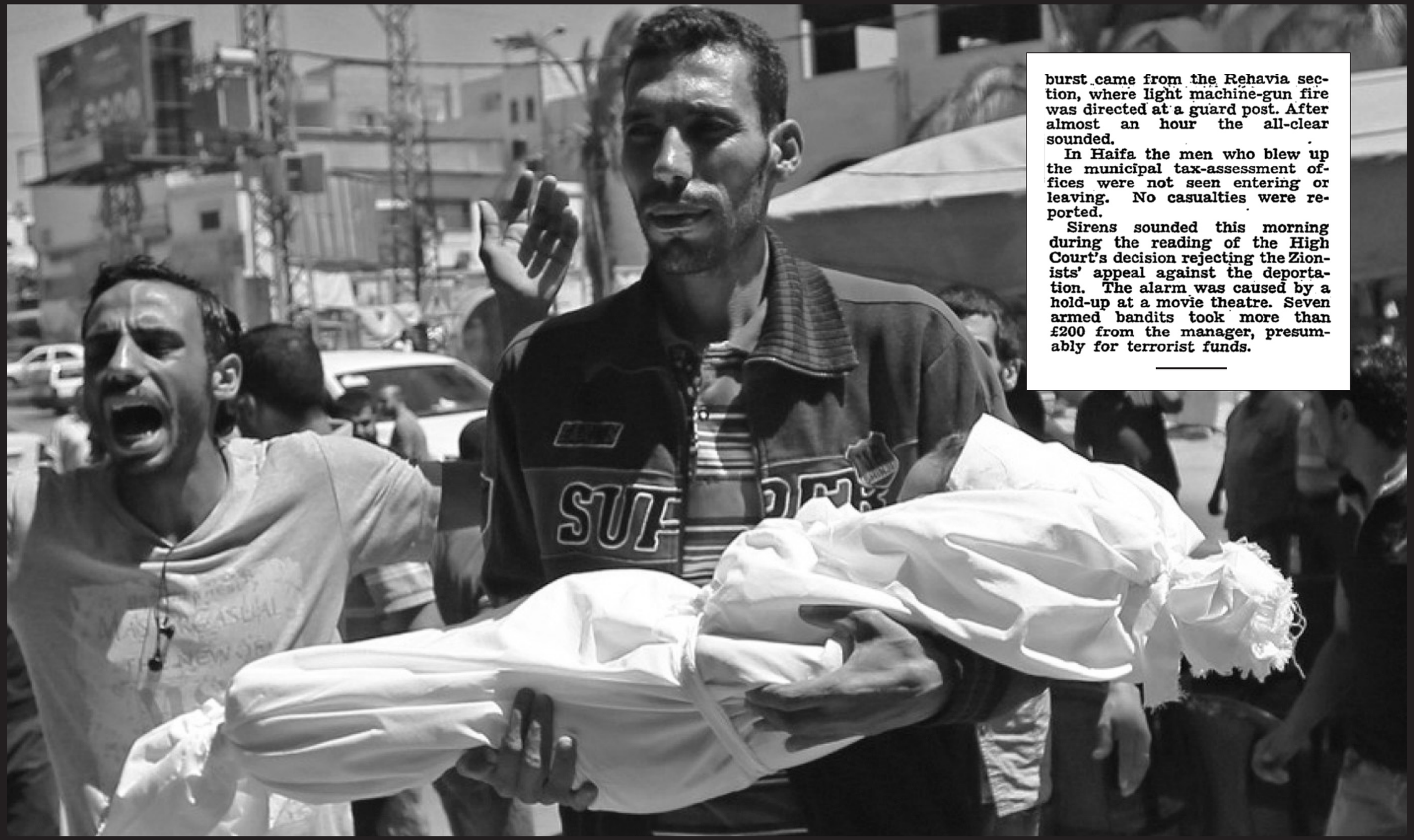
The building of the Jewish Agency for Palestine was searched after machine-gunning in the vicinity. There was no report that anything suspicious had been found.

An explosive charge wrecked a small building in Haifa and the gun emplacement on its roof. This incident followed a decision by the High Court here rejecting an application against the deportation of 1,398 illegal immigrants who arrived in Haifa last week.

Jerusalem's excitement started with a sharp explosion in the northern part of the city. Hand-grenades were tossed at a jeep on the southern boundary of the area where Jerusalem's most thickly populated Jewish quarter has been held under martial law since Sunday.

Sirens sounded immediately, halting all civilian motor traffic. Rifles cracked. Troops of roaring armored cars rolled through Zion Square, in the center of the city, heading toward the area. Four young men were seized at pistol-point by plainclothes men in front of a movie theatre on Zion Square.

As the flares went up, firing was heard from several widely separated quarters. The most sustained



burst came from the Rehavia section, where light machine-gun fire was directed at a guard post. After almost an hour the all-clear sounded.

In Haifa the men who blew up the municipal tax-assessment offices were not seen entering or leaving. No casualties were reported.

Sirens sounded this morning during the reading of the High Court's decision rejecting the Zionists' appeal against the deportation. The alarm was caused by a hold-up at a movie theatre. Seven armed bandits took more than £200 from the manager, presumably for terrorist funds.

ABROAD

March 8th, 1947

Palestine Powderkeg

Menahem Begin, 37, is the leader of the Irgun Zvai Leumi (National Military Organization), Jewish underground organization in Palestine. He is a former Polish lawyer and soldier, described by Palestinians who know him as courageous, ambitious, authoritarian, anti-Socialist; a fanatic Jewish nationalist, omnivorous reader of revolutionary history. He is known as an ingenious terrorist tactician; he is also a good chess player. His underground forces number about 10,000.

Nathan Friedman Yellin, 34, is the leader of the Stern Group (Fighters for Freedom of Israel). He is also a former Polish soldier. He has the manner of a scholar. He is regarded as less astute and less ambitious than Begin, but perhaps more dangerous because he teaches his men to be killers. He commands about 400 men.

Campaigns of Terror

For years the organizations these two men command have waged sporadic campaigns of terror against the British Administration in Palestine. The terrorists argue that Britain has violated its obligation, under the League of Nations Mandate, to establish a "Jewish Homeland" in Palestine. They contend that Britain will not listen to reasonable arguments in favor of opening Palestine to free Jewish immigration; that only force can bring a decision. Although most of the 650,000 Jews in Palestine do not condone the terrorist activities, they too object to British policy and refuse to cooperate in finding the terrorists.

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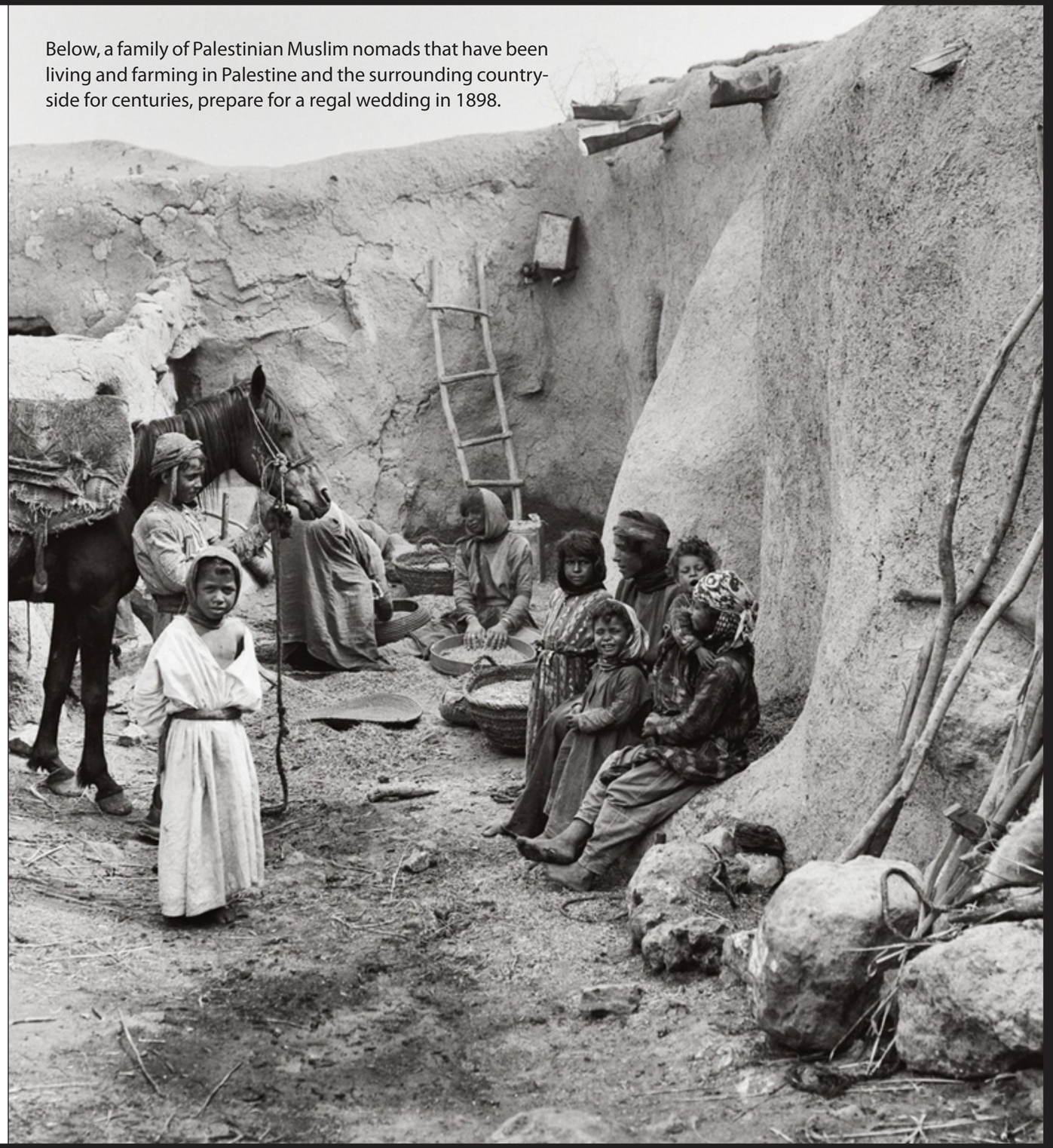
Eight days ago—after Britain announced its decision to submit the Palestine question to the United Nations and to postpone any decision on an immediate increase in immigration—there was touched off in the Holy Land a new outburst of terrorism. Last Saturday Irgun members bombed a British officers' club in Jerusalem; sixteen persons were killed, thirteen injured.

The British Administration retaliated swiftly. Limited martial law was imposed in the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv (pop. 181,000) and in the communities of the rich citrus plains to the east; and in the Mea Shearim semi-slum sector of Jerusalem, inhabited by Orthodox and Oriental Jews. In all 300,000 persons were critically affected. Simultaneously a wide manhunt was launched for Begin and Yellin and their followers.

Below, a family of Palestinian Muslim nomads that have been living and farming in Palestine and the surrounding countryside for centuries, prepare for a regal wedding in 1898.



21 AMERICANS HELD FOR TRIAL IN HAIFA

19 Seamen and 2 Reporters Were on Immigrant Ship Seized Last Week

March 10th, 1947

By JULIAN LOUIS MELTZER

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, March 10 — Twenty-one American citizens, including a woman named Hanna Herschkowitz, as well as two Norwegians with American first papers and two French nationals, all of whom arrived aboard the unauthorized immigrant ship Abril, were remanded by a magistrate in Haifa today.

They will be held for a fortnight pending investigations into charges arising from the ship's arrival in Palestine waters. The Americans include eighteen men and one woman, who were allegedly the ship's crew, and two newspaper reporters — Wallace Litwin of 17 East Eighth Street, New York, representing the North American Newspaper Alliance, and Albert L. Hirschkoff of 2047 Bay Ridge Parkway, Brooklyn, a freelance. One of the French nationals is Jacques Meir, a Paris newspaper man.

The crew is charged under local legislation with "abetting persons illegally to immigrate to Palestine." Both the Norwegian sailors are non-Jewish. The rest of the crew is Jewish.

Haifa Attorney Retained

A Haifa attorney, Joseph Kaiserman, said he had been retained by cable by the Tyre Shipping Company of 133 Broadway, New York, to "protect its interests if the ship Abril were confiscated and to defend the crew if necessary."

Continuing their activity in the Tel Aviv-Petah Tiqva martial-law area, terrorists planted land mines that exploded on either side of a military staff car in the Ramat Gan area, about two miles north of Tel Aviv. There were no casualties.

Military authorities reported that one British soldier had been killed and six had been wounded in an attack on an army camp near Hadera, fifty miles south of Haifa, early last night. The attackers used automatic weapons and hand grenades. A military patrol, in a subsequent search, detained one man.

Provocation Seen

The recurrent terrorist incidents at Hadera suggest to some observers that underground groups may be trying to provoke the authorities into extending martial law to that district. This design is in keeping with the underground's avowed intention of "associating the whole Jewish community in the struggle against the British army."

Warning shots were fired in Tel Aviv tonight when police arrested two young men posting illegal leaflets. Snap searches were made in sea-front cafés of Tel Aviv but no arrests were made.

Two small explosions occurred tonight in the martial-law area in northern Jerusalem, it was authoritatively reported. The bombs were not immediately traced and the explosions may not have been caused by terrorist activity.

The explosions were followed by rifle fire and soon afterward British Army patrols advanced through the Rehavia residential district. The detonations seemed to be those of mines or grenades.

Test Case to Be Sought

The seizure of the American members of the Abril's crew will be made the basis of a test case of British policy on immigrants in Palestine, officials of the American League for a Free Palestine said yesterday.

"This will be a test case in the sense that a British court will decide whether Mr. Bevin's foreign policy or international law is paramount," Fowler V. Harper, vice chairman of the league, said. Mr. Harper, who is on the Yale Law School's faculty, said the American crew had not violated any American or international law, and he expressed confidence that the British court would decide the case on its legal merits.

The State Department's intervention is being sought and the necessary papers are being prepared, he said. He declared that a number of Congressmen, friends of the league, had promised to interest themselves in the case.

Several other spokesmen for the league contended that there was nothing illegal in trying to "repatriate" refugees under international law. They insisted that every Jew outside Palestine had an "indisputable right" to "repatriation" to that country.

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Jews praying at the Western Wall: Men, women and children together in the early 1870s before Zionism and its inherent misogyny

TERRORISTS BLAST HAIFA OIL PIPELINE

3 Big Valves Are Destroyed— 3 Trains Are Attacked and Rail Section Blown Up

March 14th, 1947

By CLIFTON DANIEL

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, March 14 — Renewing their campaign against transport and oil supplies, the Jewish underground forces blew up another section of railway line in Palestine today after blasting an oil pipeline at Haifa.

Meanwhile the Palestine Government, apparently encouraged by the help recently received in detecting terrorists, was reported to be undertaking a positive campaign to enlist the public's aid against the underground.

Government sources said today that for the first time posters were being printed with photographs and descriptions of wanted men and requests for information.

The third attack on a train within twenty-four hours occurred this afternoon when two mines exploded under a freight train on the Lydda-Gaza line near Beer Yaacov. The track was ripped up but the train was not damaged.

Jerusalem train station circa 1900

An Arab engineer was killed and an Arab fireman injured last night when another freight train was blown up by an electrically detonated mine south of Jerusalem near Beit Safafa. One of the train's two engines was blown clear off the track, pulling two cars after it.

The crew and guard of an oil train which set off five mines on the track north of Lydda last night escaped without harm although gunfire was directed at the train for fifteen minutes after the explosions. Only four of twenty-three tank cars remained upright and undamaged after the wreck.

Fire Follows Pipeline Blasts

Three large valves were completely destroyed by explosions at an oil zone in Haifa this morning. Five men drove up in a pick-up truck and placed five packages of explosives on the pipeline at three different points. Four big blasts ensued and fire broke out. The flames were soon extinguished and no one was hurt. Later in the day the pick-up truck was found abandoned in Haifa.

The pipeline that was blown up is a branch of the main crude oil line running into Haifa from the Iraq Petroleum Company's fields and leads to the Haifa oil docks. The Palestine branch of the Iraq petroleum pipeline was attacked last month.

The destruction of the pipeline underscored one of the chief reasons why American and British interests, undertaking two new pipelines from the Arabian, Iranian and Kuwait oil fields to the Mediterranean coast, are reluctant to terminate the lines in Palestine.

Word was circulated in Jerusalem today to the effect that the attacks on railways and oil supplies, which seemed to be aimed at property rather than persons, were the work of the Stern gang and not of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, the perpetrators of most of the recent assaults directed against the British forces.

Haganah Protection Cited

Moreover, it was stated, Haganah has successfully given protection to more than two hundred persons threatened with extortion by the terrorist groups. The money-gathering methods used by the terrorists resemble the intimidation practiced by racketeers in the American gangster era.

In addition to giving protection against extortion, Haganah is reported to have offered aid to taxi and truck drivers whose vehicles are seized for terrorist forays, to purge schools of underground organizers and put patrols on the streets of Tel Aviv.

The general attitude of the Zionist leadership was reflected by a statement made in an interview today by Moshe Shertok, labor member and representative in America of the Jewish Agency Executive, who said that "terrorist groups and White Paper government are vying with each other in ruining Yishuv (Jewish Community)."

Among the rank and file of the community, however, Government circles believe that a beginning has been made in obtaining cooperation against terrorists. Last night's communiqué reporting the arrest of seventy-eight suspected terrorists made a point of mentioning the help received from the public and inviting further assistance.

The Government is hoping that the revulsion against terrorism will reach such a pitch that Zionist bodies will be obliged to give heed to it.

A group of Ashkenazi Zionist Jewish settlers from Eastern Europe in Jerusalem in 1885

Military Moves Continue

JERUSALEM, Jan. 28 (U.P.)—Despite the release, extraordinary military movements continued throughout Palestine. There was no indication that authorities had called off a huge redeployment of troops scheduled to be completed by 5 P. M. tomorrow.

The crack Sixth Airborne Division was ordered from Tel Aviv to the great oil port of Haifa, one of two termini of pipelines from Britain's rich Iraq oil fields. The First Division was ordered into Tel Aviv. The redeployment started last night and the troops moved only in darkness.

In view of the expected release of the hostages, however, the curfew was lifted from Tel Aviv today and troops halted on the outskirts to give the underground an opportunity to return Judge Windham.

At right, great civil disturbances, bombs, grenades and weapons fire, referred to in the New York Times repeatedly for years as "*Jewish Terrorism*" was eventually quelled by police and troops in this image, ending a Zionist demonstration against the British proposals for the future of Palestine. Those future proposals included the crucial, famous and now forgotten 1939 White Paper mandates which the Arabs and British desperately wanted yet the Brits were terrorized out of Palestine without implementing them: 1. A country inhabited by Jews and Palestinians treated equally under the law but recognized as separate peoples; 2. A majority Palestinian/Arab population run by a Palestinian government with the Jewish population not to exceed 33.3% of the total population; 3. After 5 years Jewish immigration and emigration would be controlled by the Palestinian government.

One policeman was killed during the above melee and terror taking place in this image. Pictured are Jews rushing for cover before the baton charge of the British police during the quelling of this Zionist disturbance in Jerusalem on May 18th, 1939. Note the spectators standing on the balcony at the top left.

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ARMY STORE RAZED IN PALESTINE BLOW

Terrorist Bombs Fire Post Exchange—Tel Aviv Alert for Anticipated Attack

March 16th, 1947

JERUSALEM, Sunday, March 16 (AP)—A group of persons identified officially as Jewish terrorists blew up a British Army Naafi (post exchange) store near Hadera early today.

A police source said he believed there were no casualties, but added that the building still was ablaze an hour after the blast. The installation is on the main Tel Aviv-Haifa highway, a short distance from the Hadera army camp, which has been attacked repeatedly in recent weeks.

Meanwhile, the cordon of troops around Tel Aviv's martial law zone was reinforced last night and reports from that all-Jewish city indicated that the British Army was preparing to meet an underground Jewish threat to crack the city's defense.

Posters were distributed on Friday by Irgun Zvai Leumi, Jewish resistance organization, declaring: "We will break through the ghetto."

Correspondents living in the martial law zone were called to a conference by an Army spokesman, who asked if they had received any messages from underground sources. He notified them that they would not be permitted to visit Citrus House, military headquarters in Tel Aviv, but did not explain why.

Meanwhile, the sound of rifle fire was heard early last night in curfewed Jerusalem's Jewish residential district, Rehavia.

Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern gang distributed "press releases" in Jerusalem later, in which the Stern gang claimed "responsibility" for three recent attacks on Palestine trains. Irgun Zvai Leumi denied reports that twelve of its members were among seventy-eight "known terrorists" the British announced had been arrested.

The Stern gang release said that an "intensified" campaign had been planned against trains carrying British troops and supplies.

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Willing illegal aliens help one of the the first boatloads of legal refugees through the surf, as the immigrants struggle to the shore of Naharia, north of Haifa, Palestine. The United Nations sponsored ship was laden with 600 Eastern European refugees originally from Poland, Russia, Germany, Romania and other European countries eager for a new life in Palestine. This image was taken sometime in very late 1948.

PALESTINE GUNGIRL ESCAPES 2D TIME

Terrorist Broadcaster Seized in 1946 Flees From Hospital During Disturbance

April 13th, 1947

By CLIFTON DANIEL

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, April 13—For the second time since her 1946 arrest, Geulah Cohen, 21-year-old terrorist broadcaster and gungirl, escaped today.

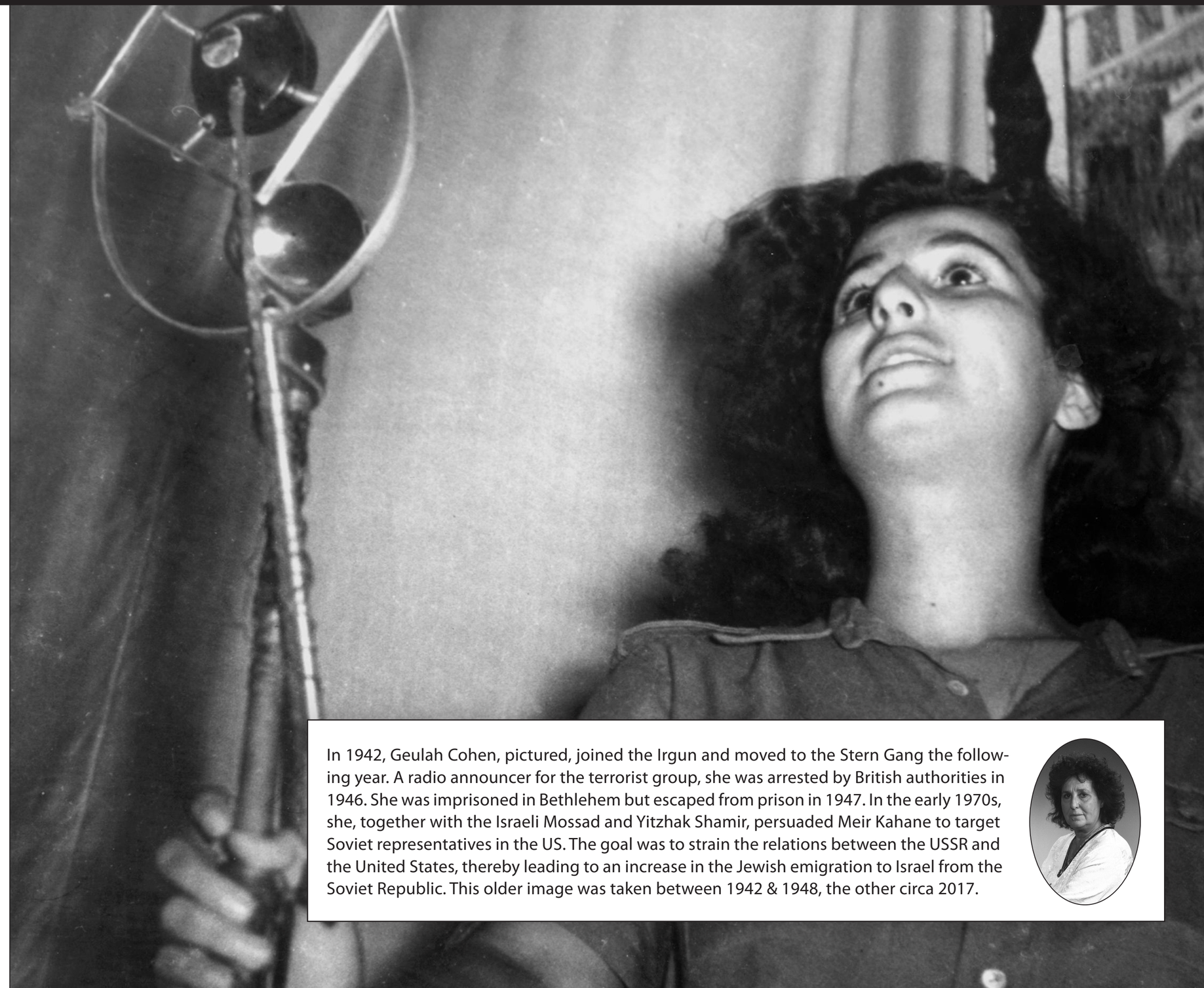
Captured last year while speaking on a clandestine Stern gang radio station in Tel Aviv, she jumped from a bathroom window in the Government's hospital here during a disturbance caused by two Arabs in a corridor. The Arabs, whom some suspected of being Arabic-speaking Yemenite Jews, were arrested.

Making a widespread search for the girl, British troops and police halted vehicles and pedestrians in several sections of Jerusalem today and tonight. Identification was demanded from all passers-by and several persons were detained for interrogation.

British Constable Shot

Early tonight a British constable was wounded in a busy street, in the entertainment center of Jewish Jerusalem. He was the third British policeman shot here in the last week. No details were immediately known.

When Miss Cohen was first cap-



In 1942, Geulah Cohen, pictured, joined the Irgun and moved to the Stern Gang the following year. A radio announcer for the terrorist group, she was arrested by British authorities in 1946. She was imprisoned in Bethlehem but escaped from prison in 1947. In the early 1970s, she, together with the Israeli Mossad and Yitzhak Shamir, persuaded Meir Kahane to target Soviet representatives in the US. The goal was to strain the relations between the USSR and the United States, thereby leading to an increase in the Jewish emigration to Israel from the Soviet Republic. This older image was taken between 1942 & 1948, the other circa 2017.

tured on Feb. 18. 1946, a pistol was found in her handbag. She was taken to the women's prison in Bethlehem. Before she could be brought to trial she leaped from a second-story window a year ago this month and clambered over a prison wall topped with barbed wire.

Immediately recaptured, she was convicted of controlling an illegal radio and possessing arms. She was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment. Ten days ago she was brought here from Bethlehem, suffering from pneumonia. She was convalescent and allowed to wear her street clothes when she made her second escape today.

Troops Halt Funeral

Last night armored cars attempted to disperse a funeral procession for Asher Itzkovitz, a 25-year-old survivor of the Oswiecim death camp, who was beaten to death by an Arab crowd on Friday when he entered the precincts of the Mosque of Omar, the holiest Moslem shrine here. On police orders the body was transferred to a hearse instead of being carried by pallbearers.

The police denied that the Max Intrator held in Paris on currency black-market charges ever lived in Palestine. Two Tel Aviv business men of the same name have repudiated any connection with him. It is believed here that Intrator did live in Cairo once but nothing is known here to connect him with terrorists.

Last midnight Zaki Sacherini, secretary of the Arab Chamber of Commerce in Tulkarm, was attacked with automatic weapons but escaped unhurt. This was the second such attempt in Tulkarm. Last week unknown assassins fired on a prominent member of the Palestine Arab party.

An unauthorized immigrant ship named for the founder of Zionism was reported approaching Palestine tonight with 2,700 Jewish refugees from Europe. The vessel, the Theodor Herzl, is the first to come here since the Moledeth arrived in Haifa in precarious condition two weeks ago. British forces are on the alert tonight for a renewal of the terrorism that customarily follows the arrival of another shipload of immigrants.

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From the middle of the eighteen hundred's, photographs of Jewish people, including men, women and children praying together at the Western Wall in Jerusalem, Palestine, became common on the walls of houses across the world. Today, a rich collection of these photos can be found in Washington, DC's Library of Congress digital archives, in which an enormous jumble of Sephardic and Ashkenazi Jews, men and women together, are depicted in prayer at what has been considered one of Judaism's holiest sites for the past two millennia. Mixed prayer, with men and women praying together, appears to be the norm in many of the archival images taken between the mid- to late 1800s and the very early 1900s. Aside from High Holy Day crushes in which women either were not in attendance or prayed off to the side, men and women prayed at the Western Wall together for 100s of years. Not until Russians, Poles, Armenians and other Eastern European Zionist Jews injected their sociopolitical philosophies into centuries old Middle Eastern Arab Jewish cultural norms that prayer at the Wall was segregated and a misogynist perspective enacted as normal policy.

PALESTINE VESSEL WITH 2,700 SEIZED

Immigrant Ship Being Towed to Haifa by British After Gun Battle at Sea

April 14th, 1947

By CLIFTON DANIEL

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, April 14—After a gunfight at sea, a vessel bearing more than 2,700 unauthorized Jewish immigrants was being towed into Haifa tonight by two British destroyers. The ship is expected to arrive tomorrow morning.

Sixteen of the immigrants, at least six of whom had gunshot wounds, were landed at Haifa early today. Fifteen were injured during the boarding operations. The sixteenth is a woman who accompanied her dying husband. Nine of the injured immigrants are in the Athlit detention camp and six are in the Government's hospital in Haifa.

They were removed from the vessel apparently after the British boarding party had subdued the opposition encountered when the Navy took the ship into custody late last night off Tel Aviv. An official statement said that the vessel, the Guardian, carried about 2,400 persons. Other sources reported there were 2,700 aboard and the ship had been renamed the Theodor Herzl in honor of the founder of Zionism.

While the British Government is trying to stem the tide of immigration and security precautions here are being generally increased, four terrorists whose death sentences have been confirmed were removed from a prison here to the Acre jail. Three more men whose sentences have not yet been confirmed are still kept here.

Sir Henry Gurney, Chief Secretary of the Palestine Government, declined to give any assurance when three separate appeals were made for a stay of execution for four men convicted by a Jerusalem military court. They are Dov Bela Gruner, on whose behalf a second appeal was made today to the Privy Council in London; and Dov Rosenbaum, Mordecai Alkoshi and Eliezer Hashani, who were found with rawhide whips after a British officer and three soldiers had been flogged by terrorists last December.

The High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, and the British commander, Lieut. Gen. G. H. A. MacMillan, were asked today to stay their execution pending the determination of Gruner's appeal. Petitions were filed by the Chief Rabbi, Dr. Isaac Herzog; Mayor Israel Rokach of Tel Aviv and Max Seligman, a Tel Aviv lawyer. Sir Henry said the question was being handled by Gen. MacMillan, and he refused Dr. Herzog's request for an urgent interview. It had been rumored for the past week that the four men would be hanged soon. If so, a drastic attempt at reprisals can be expected.

A mild flurry of apprehension was caused tonight when two small bombs found in a road were detonated by British troops.

During the lull in terrorism that began with the religious holidays, the Hebrew press has become agitated over what it considers a concerted effort to discredit Jewish immigration in the eyes of the world. Remarks in the British press implying a connection between immigration and Max Intrator, under arrest in Paris on currency-manipulation charges were described by the Hebrew press today as part of a British "smear campaign."

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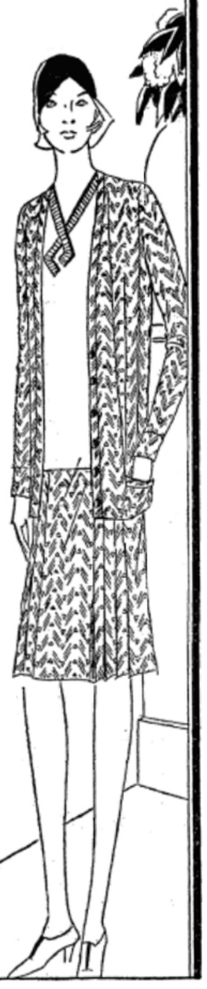

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April 16th, 1947

British Alert For Palestine Reprisal; Time Bomb Found In London Office

By CLIFTON DANIEL

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, April 16—All of Great Britain's forces in this tumultuous country were alerted tonight against reprisals by the Jewish underground for the hanging of four convicted terrorists at Acre today. By a new decree, military justice was made supreme in the land.

Half the country's 700,000 Jews were confined indoors all day today as a precaution against popular demonstrations and terrorist retaliation.

The first furtive acts of defiance to the house curfew imposed on Jewish urban centers occurred in Tel Aviv, where dummy road mines were strewn and road blocks erected tonight. Near one of the road blocks, two vehicles, one military and one civilian, were found ablaze. Oil spread across the roadway was set alight on the approach of a British motorized patrol.

A mine found in Agrippa's Way here was exploded harmlessly by an Army demolition crew tonight while police cordoned off the area and later searched the near-by slum houses.

A young Jew who tried to worm his way through one of the barbed wire security zones behind which Jerusalem's Britons had taken refuge was arrested by a military patrol this evening.

12-Year-Old Boy Wounded

A shot fired by a military patrol over the heads of a group of young people in Jerusalem this afternoon hit a 12-year-old boy on a balcony, wounding him seriously, according to an official statement tonight. The young people were ignoring the curfew order and throwing stones at the patrol, the statement said.

Jewish sources, however, asserted that the wounded boy was one of those in slum areas who were roaming the streets searching for food because the curfew prevented their families from buying supplies. [A boy strolling down the street in violation of the curfew was shot fatally, The United Press reported.]

The curfew will be lifted in Jerusalem at 5:30 o'clock tomorrow morning, but will be reimposed nightly at 6:30. No relaxation for other Jewish areas of Palestine has yet been announced.

The four executions were carried out in strictest secrecy inside the massive and forbidding walls of the ancient citadel that looks down on the sea from the picturesque Crusaders' city in northern Palestine.

The four men who died there in the chilling half light before dawn were the first Jewish terrorists to pay the death penalty in Palestine since the start of the underground campaign against the British. All others, except three whose sentences now are awaiting confirmation, were reprieved.

One of the four hanged today was Dov Bela Gruner, one-time soldier in the British ranks, who went to his death exactly fifty-one weeks after he was caught in a raid on the Ramat Gan police station April 23, 1946. He died while a second appeal on his behalf was being taken to the Privy Council in London.

All appeals from judgments of Palestine's military courts were outlawed tonight by new defense regulations that needed only the signature of the British High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan G. Cunningham, to make them law.

"This makes MacMillan [Lieut. Gen. G. H. A. MacMillan] the Caesar of Palestine," commented one of Palestine's leading criminal lawyers who often has appeared in defense of terrorists. "His word is above the law."

General MacMillan is commander of British forces in Palestine. The four men hanged today were convicted by military courts and he confirmed their sentences.

The three other men whose plight never received the same publicity as Gruner's were Dov Ben-Salman Rosenbaum, Eliezer Ben-Zion Kashani and Mordecai Ben-Abraham Alkachi, who were arrested last Dec. 29 in possession of arms and bombs.

Their parents also were approaching the Privy Council. The executions nevertheless were undertaken by virtue of the broad authority given to British Empire colonial administrators.

There was no official notice of the hangings.

Probably 350,000 or 400,000 persons were affected by the curfew. With the windswept streets of Jerusalem's Jewish districts empty of all civilian life, tension and apprehension in the Holy City was at its peak. No one doubted that sooner or later the fanatical Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern Group with their "eye-for-an-eye" policy would attempt drastic reprisals.

The hangings immediately followed the capture of the second largest contingent of illegal Jewish immigrants that ever tried to force the gates of Palestine. Two immigrants were killed in a fight for possession of the refugee vessel

The mining procedure, obviously, had been carried out while the first attack was being made on the signal box. When the firing ceased and the terrorists had withdrawn, the body of one of their number was found sprawled under an orange tree less than a hundred yards from the tracks.

Lying just a foot away from his head were six sticks of gelignite explosives of the type used to blow up the signal box. On them were stamped the words "Hercules Powder Company, Wilmington, Del."

Just to the other side of the grove, in the direction in which the terrorists had fled, was found a blood-covered army water bottle, indicating another possible casualty.

While police were uncertain tonight of the dead youth's identity, he was believed to be a Jewish student from Tel Aviv.

Six hours after the attack, delayed-action mines were still exploding in the vicinity of the station and army sappers were combing the sand throughout the orange grove for land and anti-personnel mines.

The police said that a considerable number had been uncovered at the Jerusalem railroad station, where an explosion shook the city shortly after midnight. The only damage done consisted of a piece of track blown out on one of the freight sidings. An unexploded homemade bomb was found near by.

The results of a terrorist attack on the Palestinian rail service

HAIFA POLICE CHIEF SLAIN BY ASSASSINS

April 26th, 1947

By JULIAN LOUIS MELTZER

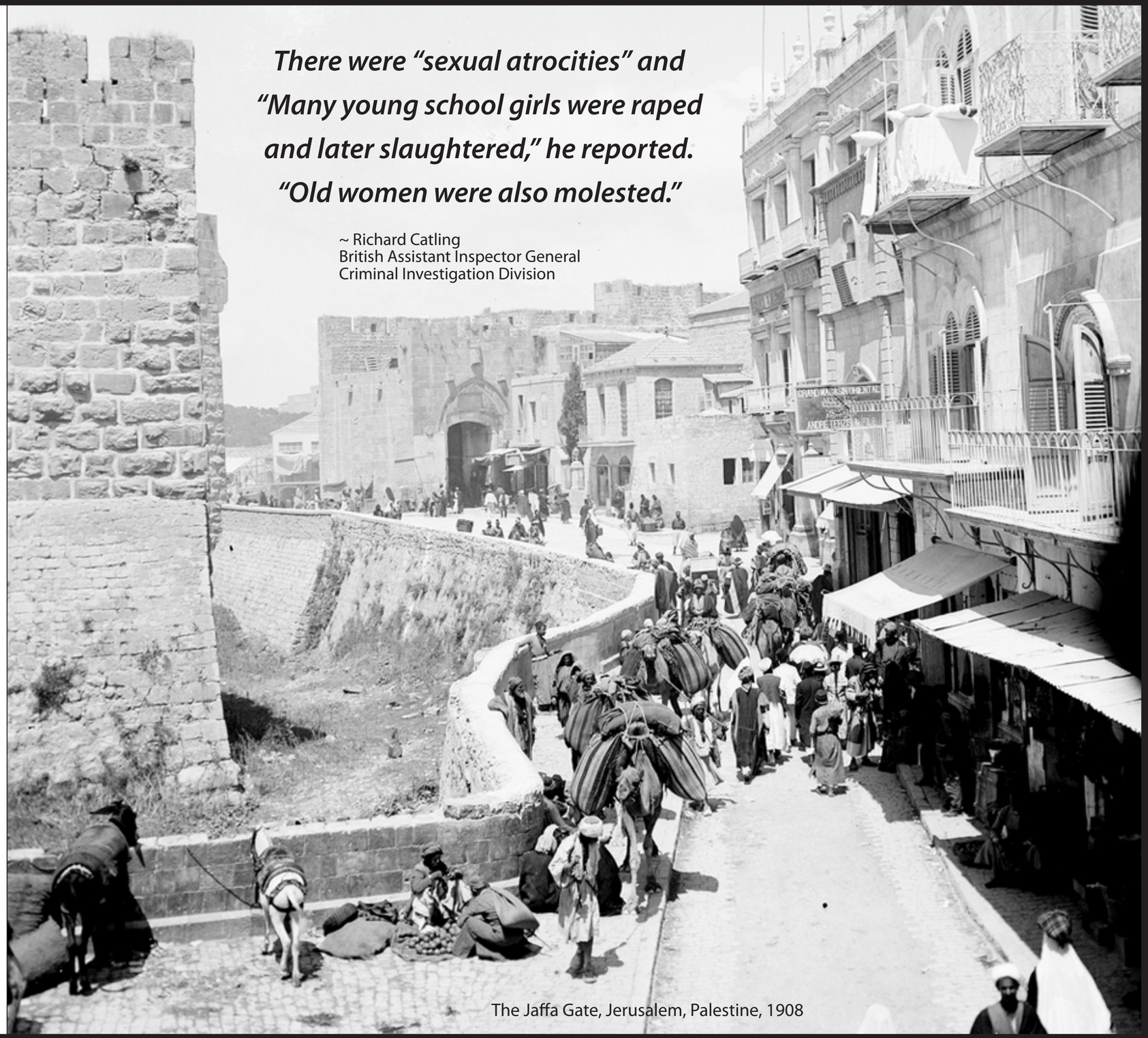
Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, April 26—A. E. Conquest, Deputy Superintendent of Police, was fatally shot by underground gunmen in Haifa today. His death in the hospital brought British police casualties to six killed and five injured as a result of terrorist action since yesterday.

The 45-year-old acting chief of Haifa's Criminal Investigation Department was responsible for the handling of inquiries into political extremist activity.

An official version of the shooting said he had parked his car in a garage and was standing outside waiting for a friend when a taxicab cruised past from which four shots were fired.

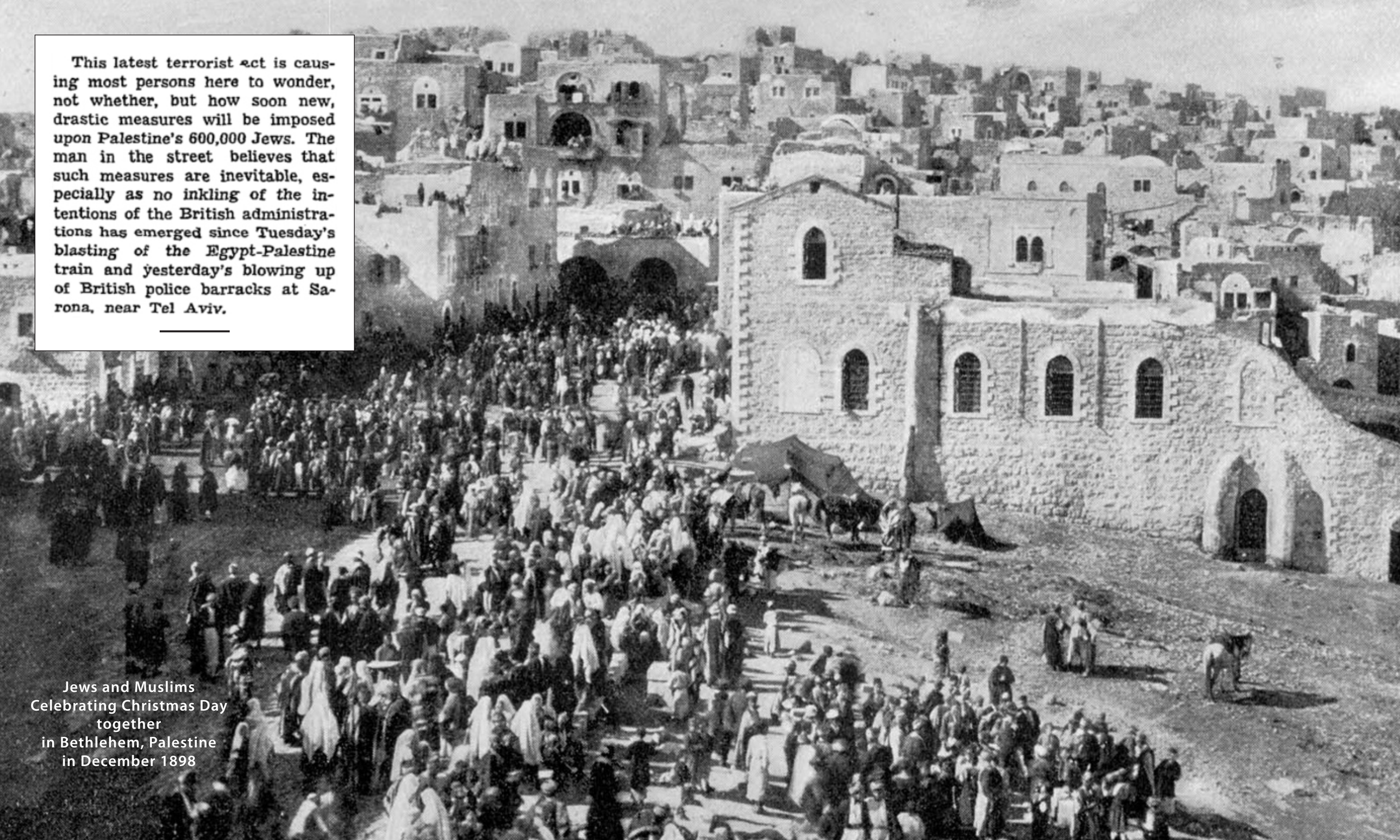
An army officer, escorted by two soldiers, who was traveling behind the taxi, ordered the soldiers to open fire. The taxi crashed into a traffic barrier and two men wearing khaki shirts and shorts jumped out. They escaped on foot. In the taxi the police found a suitcase with one grenade, one tommy-gun, two ammunition magazines and one pistol.



There were "sexual atrocities" and "Many young school girls were raped and later slaughtered," he reported. "Old women were also molested."

~ Richard Catling
British Assistant Inspector General
Criminal Investigation Division

The Jaffa Gate, Jerusalem, Palestine, 1908



This latest terrorist act is causing most persons here to wonder, not whether, but how soon new, drastic measures will be imposed upon Palestine's 600,000 Jews. The man in the street believes that such measures are inevitable, especially as no inkling of the intentions of the British administrations has emerged since Tuesday's blasting of the Egypt-Palestine train and yesterday's blowing up of British police barracks at Sarona, near Tel Aviv.

Jews and Muslims
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BRITISH TAKE 1,000 FROM ZIONIST SHIP

Refugees at Haifa Offer No Fight—6 Americans, Said to Be Seamen, Detained

May 17th, 1947

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, May 17—Shepherded by two British destroyers, a creaking 1,200-ton former American coastal steamer, Hatikvah, carrying more than a thousand unauthorized Jewish immigrants, sidled up to the cargo jetty in Haifa harbor tonight.

Six Americans on the vessel, whom the British authorities believe to be members of the crew, were arrested at the dockside. One of them was fished out of the harbor after he had jumped overboard. Other suspected American crew members are being sought among the passengers.

Nine men were arrested altogether, including the six Americans. An American newspaper man was reported unofficially to have surrendered to the British authorities when the transshipment of the refugees to deportation ships started.

When the refugee ship entered the port she showed a rent in her rusty side, the result of a collision with one of the British destroyers. The damage was slight.

Start for Cyprus at Once

An official estimate placed the number of refugees on board at 1,000, but reports from Haifa said there were 1,200 to 1,500.

Within less than two hours after the ship arrived 590 of the passengers were already on their way to detention in Cyprus, sailing in the British transport Empire Comfort. Three other transports were waiting to take off the rest of the immigrants who came ashore docilely, offering no resistance to deportation.

Gossip at the dockside was to the effect that a second illegal ship, reported to be out at sea, was carrying 4,000 Jews, the largest number of refugees ever to arrive in Palestine in a single shipment. Confirmation of these rumors awaited the arrival of the vessel—if and when.

The name of the ship reported to be approaching Palestine was said to be Brigadier Frederick H. Kisch, after a former chairman of the Zionist Executive at Jerusalem who became chief engineer of the Eighth Army and was killed in April, 1943, in a mine explosion outside Sousse, Tunisia.

The vessel that arrived tonight, the first in three weeks, was formerly called Trade Winds, but had been renamed Hatikvah [Hope—title of the Zionist anthem].

Explain Lack of Opposition

After she had been trailed down the Lebanese coast by British warships she was overhauled inside Palestinian waters this afternoon at 2 P. M. Warning shoes were fired by the British Anti-Immigration Patrol.

By contrast with the passengers of other recent immigrant ships, however, those on the Hatikvah did not oppose the boarding party of British bluejackets. They explained on arrival at Haifa that there were too many children and expectant mothers on board to risk a battle.

Two children were born during the vessel's twelve-day voyage from a European port. One of them was born only yesterday. Among three persons allowed to land in Palestine for hospital treatment was a pregnant mother, the two others were suffering from illness.

Most of the refugees came from Poland, Germany, Rumania and Hungary. There were many orphans, survivors of Jewish extermination in Europe, among them By midnight all of them had been transferred to ships that are taking them to Cyprus to await entry to Palestine on the regular immigration quota of 1,500 a month.

When the Hatikvah came into port she displayed on her funnel the Shield of David with the words "Eretz Israel, 1947." Underneath that insignia was a shamrock with the words "Eire, 1922"—an apparent allusion to Ireland's successful fight for liberation from Britain.

The immigrants looked fairly healthy and reasonably well dressed. As they were taken into a decontamination tent for DDT spraying one man looked at the glittering lights of the hilly city of Haifa and said in Yiddish: "Our Haifa is beautiful."

Press to Publish Truce Plea

The British administration issued today as a communiqué the resolution approved by the United Nations Assembly urging an end to the use of force in Palestine. Under Palestine legislation all newspapers must publish these communiqués or be penalized.

Tomorrow Palestine's twelve Jewish newspapers will carry this formal invitation to the armed underground to observe an armistice.

The first reply from the Jewish underground to the truce plea appeared tonight in posters pasted up in Tel Aviv by the Fighters for the Freedom of Israel [Stern group].

As anticipated, the Sternists declared that there could be no peace unless the British authorities also took the following conciliatory measures:

First, no deportation of unauthorized immigrants.

Second, cessation of acts of hostility toward Jews, including the operation of military courts.

Third, no deportations of political prisoners from Palestine.

Fourth, abrogation of the defense regulations under which Palestine is largely governed.

Fifth, no requisitioning of Jewish property for military and governmental purposes.

2 TEL AVIV GANGS RAID BRIDGE CLUBS

Loot One of $3,200 but Alarm Saves 2d—1,457 on Seized Refugee Ship Deported

May 24th, 1947

JERUSALEM, May 24 (AP)—Jewish underground fighters, believed to be Stern Gang members, raided two bridge clubs in the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv early today and escaped with $3,200 in cash from one of them.

A Government announcement said eighteen armed Jews, including one woman, broke into one club, robbed all the players and smashed two slot machines. On the way out they left two boxes which they said were mines, but later examination disclosed that they were empty.

Informants in Tel Aviv said the loot was taken from about two dozen players and the club treasury.

Fifteen armed Jews entered the second bridge club, but the raiders fled when a club employe managed to turn in an alarm, the Government account said.

Meanwhile 1,457 Jews who tried to enter Palestine aboard the refugee vessel, Bruma, a three-masted Italian schooner intercepted by the British in Palestine waters yesterday, were taken to detention camps on Cyprus in the Liberty ship Runnymede Park.

A British statement said that some of the refugees, who were placed in a barbed-wire enclosure in the hold of the Liberty ship, seized crowbars and tried to break down the barriers.

British soldiers fired one shot in the air and turned water hoses on the Jews. The statement said the injured included only those suffering from "minor abrasions," but added that "two women were taken to a Haifa hospital."

The Jews had been aboard the refugee ship for about two weeks. They had named it the Mordei Hagetaoth (Ghetto Fighters) and placed a sign on deck saying in English: "From the ruins of the ghetto to our own country—Our only refugee — Open the gates." Most of them were Polish, Rumanian and Hungarian jews.

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50 Palestine Terrorist Suspects Sent to Kenya to Bar Jailbreak

May 11th, 1947

By CLIFTON DANIEL

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, May 11—Fifty more suspected terrorists were removed from Palestine today to the Gilgil concentration camp in Kenya Colony, East Africa, where there are already 261 prisoners.

It was officially announced that the transfer was being made "in the interest of public security." It was apparently intended to forestall another mass escape such as the one that liberated more than 200 prisoners a week ago today from the Acre prison.

Taking advantage of the Palestine Government's amnesty offer, six more Arab prisoners returned to Acre today, leaving 154 Arabs and twenty-nine Jews still at large. No Jewish prisoners have surrendered or been caught since the gun battle that followed the blasting of the prison walls. The Irgun Zvai Leumi, which perpetrated the Acre bombing, has accused "the wild Nazi-British beasts" of maltreating and killing those wounded and captured after the battle.

The men taken to Kenya were previously held in the big detention camp at Latrun between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, where one prisoner tried to escape last week by concealing himself in a meat packing-case. They do not include any well-known figures.

Under the defense regulations the Palestine Government detains suspected terrorists against whom it has insufficient evidence for court trials. Some have been held for years, first in Latrun then in the Sudan and Eritrea and finally in Kenya.

After the mass escape from Acre last Sunday the regime in the prison has been considerably tightened and the number of guards has been increased, it was reported from Haifa. Except this bombing, Palestine has experienced no major terrorism in two weeks. Measures were taken today to restore a more normal relationship between the Jerusalem population and the British troops. Cafes, restaurants and theatres in the "out-of-bounds" areas of Jewish Jerusalem will soon be reopened to the British forces on condition that no spirits are sold to soldiers.

The British commander here has appointed a liaison officer to receive complaints of misconduct by British troops from the Jewish community.

January 6th, 1947

Britons Wounded in Troop Train

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 6 (UP)—wounded, three seriously, when three hand grenades were thrown at a twelve-coach troop train en route from Cairo to Palestine today.

The grenades were thrown by unidentified persons, between Cairo and Benha. They struck the third coach of the train, in which sixty-five soldiers were riding.

The damaged coach was detached and the train continued to Palestine. Cairo police sent squads to the scene to hunt for the bomb-throwers.

July 11th, 1947

British Seize 24 in Tel Aviv

JERUSALEM, July 11 (U.P.)—British troops and police carried out a raid today on the "Levant Fair" section of the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv and arrested twenty-four employes of a firearms workshop. Sten gun blueprints and parts and other weapons in various stages of repair were seized. It was believed that the raid resulted from a tip from an informer.

An Arab Legion soldier manning a Bren machine gun takes cover behind sand bags and cement debris on a street near the New Gate in the old city of Jerusalem, Palestine on May 29th, 1948 during the Jewish-Arab conflict. A little boy on the left, unimpressed by the deadly atmosphere, plays in the debris covering the pavement.

2 TOP TERRORISTS FOUND IN NATHANYA

13 Others Also Held as British Screen 1,427 in Hunt for Kidnapped Soldiers

July 15th, 1947

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES

JERUSALEM, July 15—Two top-grade Irgun Zvai Leumi terrorists and one second-stringer were among fifteen wanted men sifted out of a large-scale screening process today in the sealed-off city of Nathanya, where the British are trying to find two of their sergeants kidnapped early Saturday. At 5 P. M. half the martial-law area had been searched and 1,427 persons had been screened.

Nathanya is isolated because of a series of terrorist activities in the area culminating in the kidnapping.

The kidnapped men are held by the Irgunists as hostages because three of their men have been sentenced to be hanged.

In addition to the searches in the controlled area, there was another early today at the little settlement of Ekron, south of Tel Aviv and at least fifty miles from Nathanya. Ninety-eight persons were screened but none was detained.

The house curfew is still operating and there was no indication tonight when it would be lifted. The area is ringed with barbed wire or machine-gun emplacements and none can enter or leave without a special pass.

Oved Benami, one of the founders of Nathanya and the head of the local council, congratulated the British on the "extraordinarily good attitude" of the soldiers during the searches. He tried every method known to him to bring about the return of the kidnapped men but failed.

Two alternate delegates of the United Nations' inquiry committee, Emilio Zea Gonzales of Guatemala and Oscar Secco Ellauri of Uruguay, visited Nathanya today. They were allowed to talk with people confined to their houses, with young men being taken away for interrogation and with municipal officials.

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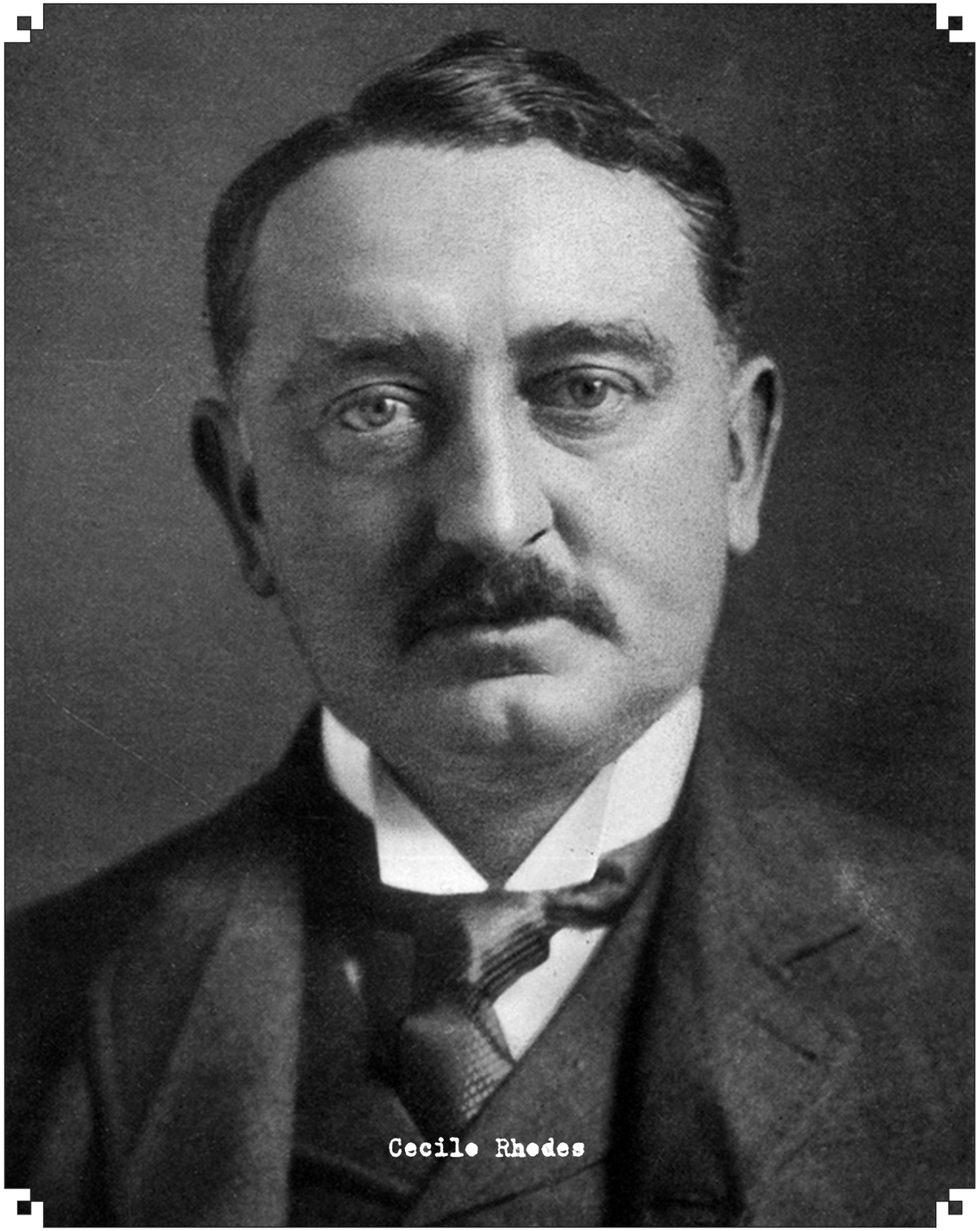

Cecile Rhodes

July 17th, 1947

Irgun Boasts of Mine Fatality

JERUSALEM, July 17 (AP)—The Jewish underground organization, Irgun Zvai Leumi, boasted today of laying the mines on highways near Jerusalem and Petah Tiqva that last night took the life of one British soldier and wounded fifteen or sixteen others—some seriously.

The Irgunists, in a statement delivered to Jerusalem newspapers, said the mines had been planted to 'relieve Nathanya from siege."

Pictured at right are two immigrants, Eastern European Jews and Irgun terrorists, one manning a Bren gun and the other holding a revolver, keeping guard from a house in the Manshiah section of Tel Aviv near the Tel Aviv-Jaffa border in Jerusalem on January 8th, 1948 where Jews have been attacking and terrorizing Palestinian residents.

British Arrest Score Of Jews As Terrorists

July 23rd, 1947

Hotel Bombers Dressed As Arabs, Eyewitness States; 48 Known Dead

LONDON — Prime Minister Attlee told the House of Commons today that, "of all the outrages in Palestine, many and horrible in the past few months," the blasting of the King David hotel in Jerusalem yesterday was the worst.

Attlee said his latest figures for "this insane act of terrorism" were 41 dead, 52 missing and 53 injured.

JERUSALEM, July 23 (AP)—A police spokesman announced today the detention of about 20 Jews in connection with terroristic bombing yesterday of the King David hotel which left 98 persons dead or missing.

Frantically searching for bodies

The final total was 93 dead ...

The known dead mounted to 48.

Military rescue crews who toiled in the debris of the hotel, the seat of British army headquarters and the secretariat of the Palestine government, reported that 41 bodies had been recovered and seven others located. Fifty persons were unaccounted for.

The police spokesman said that, although most of the party which planted milk cans of explosives wore Arab dress, all the evidence indicated they were young Jews. Eyewitnesses said the attackers spoke Hebrew. The spokesman said a search was "going on right now in the old city of Jerusalem."

A truck and a taxi, both stolen, which were abandoned by the attackers were searched for fingerprints and other possible clues.

Workers moved 200 tons of debris under floodlights during the night, and the officer in charge said the job was less than half completed.

Hospitals reported that 50 persons were still undergoing treatment for injuries and that dozens of others had been treated for minor wounds.

The Palestine government said the missing included 12 senior British officers of the government secretariat. The names of British victims were being withheld pending notification of their kin.

Rabbi Kook, aptly named, who somehow achieved saintly status among his religious fundamentalist Zionist followers in Israel and the U.S., quoting from the Jewish Kabala, stating that:

"The difference between a Jewish soul and souls of non-Jews… is greater and deeper than the difference between a human soul and the souls of cattle."

As a result of constant Jewish terrorism members of the Irish Fusilliers, above, search for Jewish terrorists and weapons in 1947 while carefully examing the traveling and identity papers of all those boarding public transportation in Palestine

PALESTINE HANGS THREE TERRORISTS; HOSTAGES IN PERIL

Irgun Men Executed in Prison They Bombed—Death Threat for 2 Britons as Reprisal

SEARCH FOR LATTER FAILS

Army Is Set for Strict Rule as Wholesale Violence Is Feared —Attacks Are Continuing

July 29th, 1947

By CLIFTON DANIEL

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Tuesday, July 29 —Three condemned terrorists, for whom two British Army sergeants were being held as hostages by the underground, were hanged in the prison in Acre early today.

The three terrorists, members of Irgun Zvai Leumi, had been convicted of having participated in the May 4 bombing of the ancient prison in which they went to the gallows. They were Meir Nakar, 21; Jacob Weiss, 23, and Absolom Habib, 20.

A monument in today's Israel to the Irgun terrorists where Israel has preserved their headquarters, above.
Expect to see ISIS terrorist museums, al-Nusra terrorist memorials and al-Qaeda terrorist shrines in Tel Aviv in the future. It appears Israel loves terrorrists.

They were buried in Safad, Jewish holy city, near the Sea of Galilee, where their families were assembled.

A rabbi from Haifa was called to Acre prison last night and before dawn had administered the last rites. The Government's intention of hanging the three men was an. ounced last night.

There was general expectation that the two British sergeants, Mervin Paice and Clifford Martin, who were kidnapped July 12 as hostages for the three condemned men, soon would be found dead, victims of Irgun Zvai Leumi's revenge. Extensive but fruitless searches had been made for them during the last sixteen days.

Increased Strife Expected

In anticipation of an intensified terrorist campaign against the British forces, and retaliatory repressive measures by the Palestine Government, citizens of Tel Aviv made a run on the food stores last night on the eve of the executions, stocking up for a possible protracted curfew.

[General alarm sirens sounded in Jerusalem at 6:10 A. M. Tuesday, barely an hour after the hangings were announced, The Associated Press said. First police reports said that there had been a grenading, but details were not immediately available.]

As a precaution against disturbances during and after the hangings, heavier-than-usual British patrols circulated in and around Tel Aviv and Haifa during the

Pictured here and on another page, Arab snipers move away from a flaming Zionist terrorist truck in the Sheik Jarrah quarter of Jerusalem after dragging the body of driver from the armored cab and dumping it on the road. This image was taken on March 7th, 1948. The truck, firing on the Arabs, was caught in Arab sniper fire, crashed into a wall and burst into flames.

night.

Today's executions made a total of six Jewish terrorists hanged during the current underground campaign against the British. Dov Bela Gruner and two others went to their deaths last April 16 in the same covered courtyard where the three Irgun members died today. Two others committed suicide in Jerusalem Central Prison on the eve of their execution.

In a communiqué issued in Tel Aviv, Irgun Zvai Leumi, terrorist organization, declared that a campaign of reprisals would be started if its three comrades were executed and that "the streets of Palestine will run red with British blood."

[In a secret broadcast quoted by The United Press, Irgun Zvai Leumi in the name of its commandant, Menahem Beigin, said, "we shall carry out the hangings of two hostages at the same time our hostages are excuted." The hostages were tried and condemned by a terrorist court.]

The British administration has virtually dictatorial powers to suppress any reaction to the hangings and keep Palestine calm until the United Nations can debate the country's future. Martial law over all Jewish Palestine was a possibility being discussed.

An appeal for clemency for the three doomed terrorists was made to the High Commissioner, Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, by the chief rabbi of Palestine, Dr. Isaac Herzog.

Dr. Herzog's telephone message and another from Mrs. Golda Meyerson, local head of the Political Department of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, were taken by the Commissioner's secretary.

A statement by the Jewish

Pilgrims, a very large group visible in the far background, on their way to Jerusalem stop at this fountain for a drink of water before continuing on their rugged journey, circa 1900.

Agency said, "we renew our appeal to the High Commissioner that he heed the plea of the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine [which expressed concern over the consequences of the scheduled hangings] and of all responsible Jewish authorities in Palestine and that he spare Yishuv [The Jewish comunity] and the Jewish people this new tragedy."

The three young men were put to death in the forbidding but picturesque fortress whose ancient stone walls they had helped blow open. In one of the greatest prison breaks in history, more than 250 Jewish and Arab prisoners were freed from Acre that day. Most of them are still at large.

Having been roundly criticized for the secrecy with which it carried out the death sentences against four other terrorists in April, the British administration gave advance notice of the executions.

The police in Haifa went in the morning to notify Edith Weiss, sister of one of the condemned men, of the impending execution. Miss Weiss who had come from Czechoslovakia to be near her brother, could not be found immediately.

Her brother served in the Czechoslovak underground during the war and was credited with having saved the lives of dozens of Jews whom he had smuggled from the Germans.

Nakar was a member of the British Army, and Habib a former student at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

The families of the condemned men were taken to Acre tonight by Ascher Levitzky, Palestine criminal lawyer.

Yesterday the campaign of guerrilla attacks against British forces, which has persisted since July 16, continued with four futile assaults in Jerusalem. Earlier a road mine explosion had wounded two soldiers and a civilian in the southern coastal district.

A road mine explosion in the south caused minor damage. The mine burst near Rehovoth, nicking two soldiers, as two military vehicles passed. Fragments riddled a bus following the Army cars and slightly hurt a civilian passenger.

A hand grenade was heaved at two military trucks in the Sanhedria quarter of Jerusalem after the nightly house curfew had been imposed on the city's Jewish districts. The anti-terrorist sirens sounded about 7:45 P. M. A few minutes later another unexplained explosion occurred in the same district.

Ten minutes after the all-clear a mine exploded near a police vehicle going down deserted, curfew-bound King George Avenue, and someone fired at the vehicle from an apartment. A British Bren gun carrier replied with a burst of bullets. Soon afterward the police and troops swarmed over the district in search of the attackers.

Four men opened fire with automatic weapons on the guard of the Jerusalem district Commissioner's office and escaped down an alley from which they had attacked.

In the afternoon and evening three phosphorous bombs were found in the Sarafand camp, the biggest military encampment in Palestine, between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. The bombs were being removed by Army experts.

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The 1949 Palestinian Exodus, also called the Nakba or "Catastrophe" was nothing short of an elaborate, preconceived plan (by years) to rid Palestine of its Arab Christian and Arab Muslim inhabitants. 600+ village communities were raided, plundered and wasted, 1000s murdered and over 80% of the Arab inhabitants of the new state of Israel were expelled from their homes with what they could carry. Settling in refugee camps in neighboring states seen here, they endured the destruction of their very lives including psychological warfare followed by brutal Zionist massacres.

July 30th, 1947

EXPERTS TO PICK AREA IN SURINAM FOR JEWS

Within two months a five-man committee of experts will leave for Surinam, Dutch Guiana, to select a suitable area for colonization by 30,000 European Jews and to draft extensive economic, technical and financial plans, it was announced yesterday.

Announcement of this development came from Dr. I. N. Steinberg, secretary general of the Freeland League for Jewish Territorial Colonization, 1819 Broadway, which initiated the idea last year. Decision to send the commission of experts to Surinam follows official acceptance of the plan last week by both the Surinam and Netherlands Governments.

The members of the committee, Dr. Steinberg said, would be authorities in the fields of tropical agriculture, medicine and engineering. They will select an uninhabited area in the country, which covers 55,000 square miles, and will prepare two colonization plans.

Dr. Steinberg said the first immigrants could not be expected before "sometime in 1948" and he predicted it would take four to five years to relocate the entire 30,000 maximum. The project would cost between five and ten million dollars, he predicted, with financing done through an independent institution set up for the purpose.

Consistent with the policy of the Freeland League, the settlement in Surinam, while a Jewish agricultural-industrial community, would not be a Jewish state and would be integrated into the economic and social pattern of the country.

THE PROPAGANDA: CREATING HEROES OUT OF TERRORISTS

Only in Israel: a monument to two convicted terrorist murderers who cowardly blew themselves up in prison with smuggled explosive oranges

HOSTAGES HANGED

Irgun Z'vai Leumi announced today in a clandestine broadcast that it had executed two British Army Sergeants. Sergeant Marvyn Paice and Sergeant Clifford Martin were hung by the their necks until dead.

HOSTAGES HANGED, IRGUN ANNOUNCES

July 30th, 1947

Broadcast Asserts Sentence Is 'Carried Out'—Haganah Denies It—Search Goes On

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, July 30—Irgun Zvai Leumi announced today in a clandestine broadcast that it had executed two British Army sergeants, Marvyn Paice and Clifford Martin, held as hostages. It said they had been condemned to be hanged by a "field court" and that the sentence had been carried out.

From confidential information the military believes that the bodies are hanging from some tree in an isolated spot between Tel Aviv and Nathanya. Searches in that area have been going on all day without success. Searches for the missing men were continuing late today in another area, far removed from Nathanya, in the vicinity of the major military encampment of Qastina near Gaza.

However, Haganah, underground militia of the Jewish community, issued a statement tonight that nonplussed virtually everyone. It indicated that the hostages were not dead and appealed to Yishuv [the Jewish community] to disclose their whereabouts. The appeal disregarded the Irgun Zvai Leumi broadcast, renewed Haganah's attack on terrorism and asked that any information concerning the hostages be communicated to the security forces, meaning Haganah.

The two men had been held by the terrorists since July 12, when Lieut. Gen. G. H. A. MacMillan, general officer commanding the Palestine forces, confirmed the death sentences on three Irgun Zvai Leumi members who had participated in the Acre prison break on May 4. Those three were hanged on Tuesday morning at Acre.

Six Zionist Jewish terrorists were hanged in prison and two committed suicide with smuggled explosive orangesin prison before they could be put to death

Zionist Stern Gang Terrorists Declare War On British

September 1st, 1947

Stern Gang Calls for War

JERUSALEM, Sept. 1 (Reuters) —The Stern Gang, terrorist organization, commenting on the United Nations committee's report, called tonight on Jews to prepare for a prolonged war against the British. It strongly criticized the plan for partition but welcomed the proposed end of the British mandate.

Pictured at left, an Arab legion soldier carries a machine gun as standard issue as he stands guard in Jerusalem on January 6th, 1948, where his Ottoman Empire army is on loan to the British army to help out because of a shortage of British soldiers in the holy land

TERRORISTS STRIKE IN PALESTINE AGAIN

One Is Hurt as Mine Derails Train—Bomb Hurled at Arab Shop—Cunningham Back

September 30th, 1947

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Sept. 30—While moderate Zionists were condemning the terrorists who killed ten persons in the bombing of the Haifa police headquarters yesterday, two lesser acts of terrorism, one Zionist and one Arab, occurred in Palestine today. A train was wrecked, but no serious casualties resulted.

An unofficial report tonight said that Royal Air Force scouting planes sighted two immigrant vessels off Cyprus speeding toward Palestine. These were presumed to be the two former American vessels that had been reported to have cleared the Dardanelles after they had taken on Jewish refugees from Rumania and Bulgaria.

News of the ships was published here today, but the Palestine Government censorship eliminated a British Foreign Office spokesman's suggestion that the refugees might be returned to their home ports. In the censor's view, this statement might disturb public security. Irgun Zvai Leumi, perpetrators of the Haifa bombing, threatened reprisals for any further deportations.

Four Vehicles Derailed

On the main coastal railway about twenty miles south of Haifa a mine exploded beneath the engine of a Cairo-Haifa train, a frequent target of Zionist terror bombing. The engine, coal car and two coaches were derailed. One passenger, an Arab suffering from shock, was admitted to a hospital.

Anti-terror sirens later halted traffic for a few minutes in Jerusalem when a blast was heard. The police reported that two persons had pushed a parcel through the back of a large Arab grocery shop in the center of the city. An employe threw the parcel back through the window, and it exploded in a vacant lot, shattering near-by windows. The bombing presumably was part of a campaign by Arab terrorists to impose a boycott on Zionist-made goods.

Meir Fein, 38, a Jewish shopkeeper of Nathanya, was abducted last night on his way home from work, his wife told the police. A man arrived at their home at 1 o'clock in the morning to tell the woman her husband had been kidnapped. No explanation was given.

At right, after a recent Jewish terrorist bombing, Palestinian Jewish immigrants are being stopped on the street and their papers checked following a brief interrogation. For the British army soldiers, finding terrorists that blended in with and were protected by the local European immigrant population was virtually impossible and British attacks against the Jews for retaliation against terror attacks were frequent. The terrorists murdered dozens of British soldiers.

JEWS SEIZE ARMS IN PALESTINE RAID

Crush Guard, Escape in Stolen Trucks—U. S. Ends Leave—Congress Gets New Plan

October 11th, 1947

By A. C. SEDGWICK

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES

JERUSALEM, Oct. 11 — The guard, said to be composed entirely of Jewish soldiers, watching over the Palestine training depot at Rehoboth was overpowered early this morning by a large number of Jews after which weapons and ammunition stored in the establishment were loaded on trucks, which also had been stolen, and carried off to an unknown destination.

[Field Marshal Viscount Gort, British High Commissioner of Palestine, conferred with Jewish leaders after the raid, The Associated Press declared. At the same time it was reported that American soldiers on leave in Palestine from Egypt and elsewhere had been recalled to their bases.

[A Reuter dispatch announced that the evacuation of American troops from Palestine would begin today, according to a sudden order from United States headquarters in Cairo.]

A communiqué issued at British Army headquarters here that releases only the bare facts of the theft made the point of Rehoboth's being a training depot principally used for the training of the Jewish brigade.

Rehoboth is situated a few miles south of the Jerusalem airport at Lydda and throughout the war has been one of the British Army's largest and most active establishments.

No Responsible Element

Jewish sources, however, while conceding that the robbery took place, deny that the Jews who overpowered the guard numbered more than a few. Eyewitnesses were alleged to have put the figure at fourteen and these were said to be connected with no responsible element in the Jewish community but probably members of the Irgun-Tzvai-Leumi, or "National Military Organization which is one of two terroristic organizations, the other being the "Stern gang."

The number of rifles stolen, according to Jewish sources was 248, in addition to fifteen machine guns, but a considerable amount of other military equipment was said to have been carried off in the stolen vehicles.

Meanwhile general nervousness over the outcome of the British Government's continued deliberations on the White Paper policy is reflected in the Jewish press which appears to anticipate an adverse decision and adopts a bitter tone.

Compromise Believed Sought

The Hebrew Press, attributing its source to a French news agency, states that Abdul Rahman Azzam Bey, secretary general of the Arab League, is now interested in a compromise solution, adding only that King Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia favors radical measures, including the cancellation of oil concessions he had granted to American firms—that is, if the United States continued to support Zionism.

The Arab press has adopted an angry tone, particularly because of recent efforts on the part of Jewish settlers to thwart the Government's action in preventing the illegal immigration of Jews. The Lebanon correspondent of the newspaper Falastins says that President Bechara el Khoury, in a bellicose speech, declared that neither his government nor the Government of any other Arab country would foresake Palestine.

Secret Group Pledges Aid

JERUSALEM, Oct. 11 (AP) — A clandestine radio declared today that an active resistance movement had been formed to assist the immigration of Jews into Palestine.

The secret radio station, broadcasting in Hebrew and English from "somewhere in Palestine," asserted that 1,000 persons were in the party that attacked he Athlit clearance camp yesterday, aiding 208 illegal Jewish immigrants to escape, and added that the "Jewish active resistance movement," was prepared to assist any Jew who wanted to enter Palestine.

Several thousand British reinforcements arrived yesterday to aid authorities in maintaining order.

At Haifa twenty young Jews, including two girls, were convicted of illegal possession of arms and explosives. Sentence was deferred.

New Proposal in Congress

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11 (AP)—A new approach to the thorny international problem of Palestine was proposed in Congress today.

A joint resolution introduced with bi-partisan sponsorship in both the House and Senate seeks to open Palestine to free entry of Jews while side-stepping the controversial issue of Jewish sovereignty.

It proposes:

(1) Establishment of a United Nations commission to aid "immediate transfer" to Palestine of those Axis-persecuted European Jews who want to go there:

(2) Free entry "at the earliest possible moment" of all other Jews who want to settle in Palestine, with rights to colonize;

(3) As a long-range program, that Palestine "ultimately be established as a free and independent democratic State with full citizenship rights for its inhabitants without discrimination based on racial or religious factors."

Its sponsors are Senators Tobey, Republican, of New Hampshire, and Myers, Democrat, of Pennsylvania, and Representatives Gearhart, Republican, of California, and Somers, Democrat, of New York.

Minister Speaks in Commons

LONDON, Oct. 11 (U.P.)—Colonial Secretary George H. Hall told the House of Commons today that all possible measures were being taken to prevent outbreaks in Palestine.

Mr. Hall's statement was the first response to strong pressure on the British Laborite Government for a report on the Palestine situation. It came in response to a question by Earl Winterton, Conservative, on the attack of the Athlit detention camp that freed 208 illegal Jewish immigrants.

"All possible measures are being taken by Commissioner Lord Gort to prevent further attacks of this nature," he said.

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20 JEWS SENTENCED BY PALESTINE COURT

October 16th, 1947

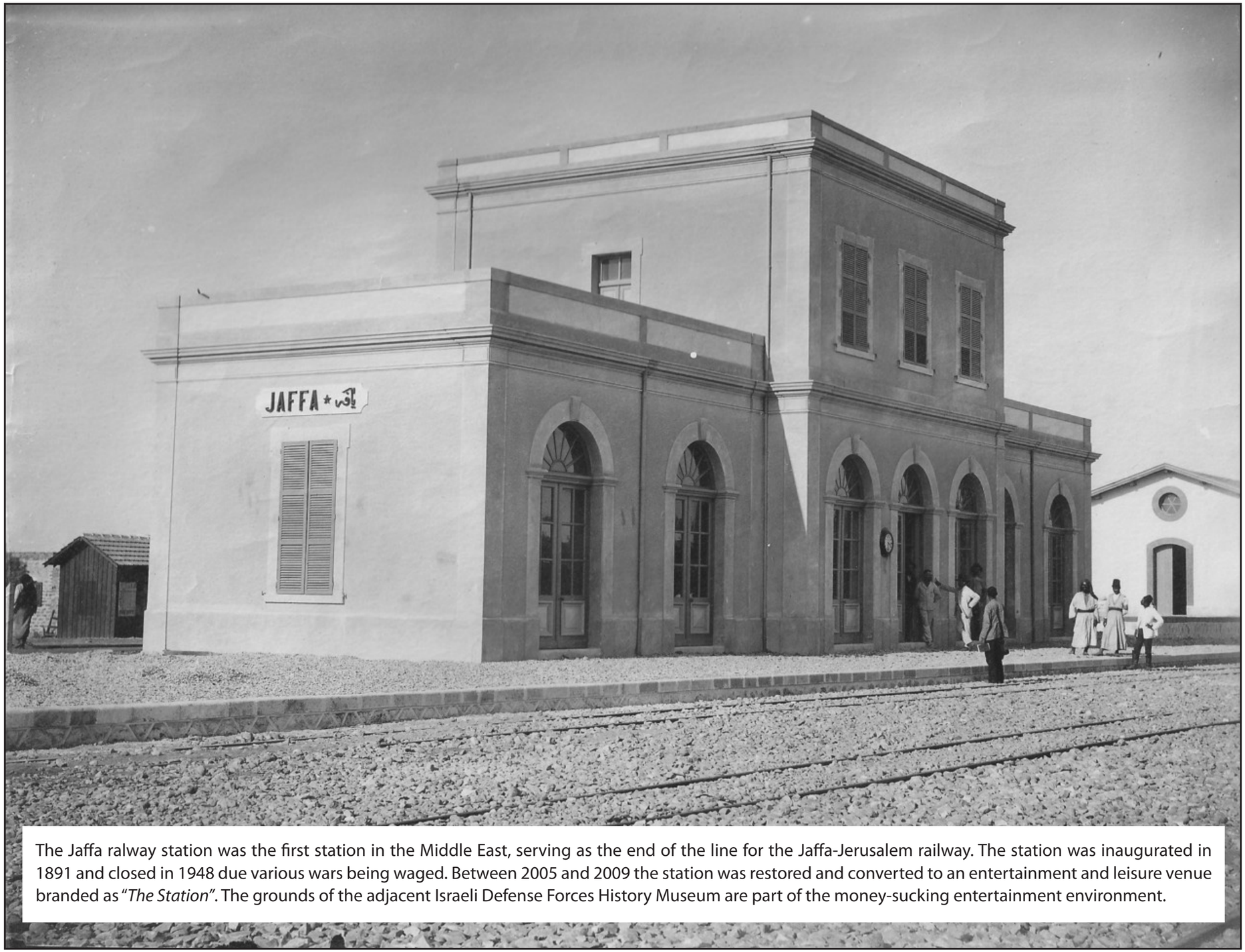
By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16 — Sentences ranging from three to seven years' imprisonment were imposed today by the British Military Court sitting at Haifa upon twenty Jewish youths, including two 17-year-old girls, found guilty of illegal possession of firearms, explosives and ammunition at their holiday camp south of Haifa last Aug. 16.

The police alleged that the group belonged to an underground political terrorist organization named Irgun Zevai Leumi, but no evidence was produced to this effect in court. When police searched their camp near the Jewish village of Benjamina, they found a large quantity of illicit arms concealed beneath the bushes, and the police alleged that the accused had been engaged in a secret arms-training course, as firearms manuals also were discovered.

Their trial went on for twelve days, and during the defense nine of the group delivered long political addresses criticizing British Government policy toward Jewish immigration.

The sentences are subject to confirmation by the British military commander in Palestine.



The Jaffa ralway station was the first station in the Middle East, serving as the end of the line for the Jaffa-Jerusalem railway. The station was inaugurated in 1891 and closed in 1948 due various wars being waged. Between 2005 and 2009 the station was restored and converted to an entertainment and leisure venue branded as "*The Station*". The grounds of the adjacent Israeli Defense Forces History Museum are part of the money-sucking entertainment environment.

JERUSALEM BLASTS WOUND 11 BRITONS

Three Bombs and Grenade Explode After Curfew—Shots Near Tel Aviv

October 24th, 1947

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Oct. 24 — Eight British soldiers were injured by splintered glass and other debris in three after-curfew bombings in central Jerusalem tonight.

A Government statement said that time-bomb attacks had been made on military curfew check posts at three street crossings. Two packets of unexploded geliguite were found outside a police station not far away.

The explosions occurred thirty-five minutes after the curfew—in force since Saturday night—had begun. After the first detonation sirens signaled traffic to halt. A gasoline bomb buried in the roadside went off five minutes later.

The third blast came five minutes later. Police found that it had been detonated by a wire connecting the bomb with an outdoor illuminated clock. It had been timed to go off at 7:15.

Police and troops searched houses near the scene of the first explosion, where, according to the official statement, the bomb was hurled from a rooftop. The area was darkened at the time because of an electric current failure.

Sirens sounded the all-clear at 8:15, an hour after the last bomb had gone off.

Grenade Also Exploded

JERUSALEM, Oct. 24 (AP)—A hand grenade was also exploded tonight, raising the toll of injured soldiers to eleven. Soon afterward there was a half hour of heavy shooting near the Sarona police station east of Tel Aviv, and lights lit up the sky. Alarm sirens sounded in Tel Aviv and Jaffa.

Le Petit Journal was a conservative daily Parisian newspaper published from 1863 to 1944. In 1890, during the Boulangiste crisis its circulation first reached one million paid readers. Five years later in 1895 its circulation reached two million copies making it, at that time, the world's largest newspaper. This issue, from September 1929, portray's Arab Muslims slaughtering Russian Jews which, in 1929 was certainly the conservative view. It was several years before the Irgun Z'vai Leumi, the Palmach, the Stern Gang and the Haganah achieved world famous status as the perpetrators of the very worst terrorism the modern world had ever seen. Until reaching that acclaimed status the Arabs were generally portrayed in the media at that time as brutal, unpredictable heathens. The common perception was that they needed the White man's god but the reality was nothing of the sort. The Muslim population displayed far more gracious humanity, acceptance and understanding of the "*other*," than the Russian, Polish and Armenian Jews, the Zionists, have ever displayed towards anyone else with one exception—wealthy benefactors from any nation and Zionists.

LES TROUBLES EN PALESTINE

Des Arabes fanatiques massacrent des Juifs dans les divers quartiers de Jérusalem

Irgunists Threaten Civil War

JERUSALEM, Oct. 25 (AP)—Irgun Zvai Leumi, the Jewish underground organization, threatened "civil war" today against the self-styled Jewish Defense Army, Haganah, as a result of recent clashes between the two groups in the Tel Aviv area.

Irgun Zvai Leumi sent a "communiqué" to Tel Aviv newspapers blaming Haganah for the shooting of two Irgunists early yesterday in the Richon le Zion area. The Irgunist statement asserted that the Haganah men opened fire first.

Jewish sources, meanwhile, reported that four suspected terrorists were injured in an attack by Haganah on a house in Richon le Zion today in retaliation for yesterday's attack.

Four British soldiers were burned to death and fifteen others injured, eight critically, today when two army trucks collided and caught fire at Haifa.

The article above is from 1947. At right, razor sharp barbed wire covers the entire roadway for 105 yards on Princess Mary Avenue in Jerusalem, Palestine at Zion Square on May 19th, 1948. The barbed wire is meant to prevent Muslims and Jews—Palestinians and Illegal Eastern European aliens—from coming in contact. The Jewish State of Israel was proclaimed on May 15th and Britain cowardly surrendered its 25 year mandate and high-tailed it back home. Terrorized and panicked in horror at the deaths of their many military comrades at the hands of Zionist Jewish terrorists, they couldn't leave fast enough. On this day, the Old City of Jerusalem appeared in imminent danger of being wrested from its Jewish defenders by Palestine's King Abdullah's desert legion. In the background is the Jewish section. At right is the police headquarters.

PALESTINE BANDS CRIPPLE RAILWAYS; 6 DIE IN OUTBREAKS

Tracks Are Cut at 50 Places —Pitched Battle Is Fought at Lydda Signal Tower

TRAIN HOLD-UP THWARTED

Blasts Rock Jerusalem—Stiff Curfew Is Imposed—British Blame Jewish Elements

November 1st, 1947

By GENE CURRIVAN

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LYDDA, Palestine, Nov. 1—All railroad traffic in Palestine is at a standstill today after a series of organized raids by terrorists who sabotaged communications and staged a pitched battle with the police and military. The casualty list stands at six dead and eight wounded.

[British sources in Jerusalem attributed the outbreak to Jewish elements, news services reported.]

Widespread terrorism started late last night and continued until the early hours of this morning. The most severe damage occurred here where a pitched battle was fought at the Lydda railroad junction, one of the most important in Palestine.

The raiding party, well armed and equipped with mines and other explosives, wrecked the railroad signal box, locomotives and train sheds and caused the deaths of one British soldier, one member of the Palestine police and two Palestinian railroad workers. In addition another Tommy, a member of the Palestinian police, and six members of the railway staff were wounded.

Tracks Cut In Fifty Places

Throughout Palestine railway lines were cut in fifty places along the coast from Acre to Gaza, between Haifa and Affule to the southeast, and between Lydda and Jerusalem. In all these cases parts of the tracks were blown away by home-made explosives. Late today there were still some explosions from time bombs.

In addition to these acts of violence, believed to be the most widespread and effective of any in

The 6th Airborne Division in Palestine, above, was initially posted to the region as the Imperial Strategic Reserve. It was envisioned as a mobile peace keeping force, positioned to be able to respond quickly to any area of the British Empire. In fact it became involved in an internal security role between 1945 and 1948. Here, British soldiers detain suspected Zionist Jewish terrorists for interrogation after a recent bombing. Under the terms of the mandate, Great Britain was responsible for the government and security of the country. It had long been a stated British aim to establish a Jewish homeland in Palestine and between 1922 and 1939 over 250,000 Jewish immigrants had legally arrived in the country. However Arab resistance and the Second World War prompted the British to curtail immigration. This caused the rise of the Jewish Terrorist Movement, which eventually came into direct conflict with and declared war against the British authorities. When the 6th Airborne Division arrived in response to increasing terrorist activity, it became involved in internal security, being responsible for cordons and search operations, guarding convoys and key installations. As the situation worsened, the men of the division had to patrol the towns and cities, enforce curfews and dealing with frequent rioting by the Jewish civilian population. They also protected Jewish and Arab settlements from sectarian violence. This was not without loss to the division and several members were killed and wounded during this time. The end of the British mandate coincided with the post war reduction of the British Army back to peace time levels, and the division's numbers were gradually reduced rendering it ineffective.

recent history, two police launches were damaged by explosives in Haifa Bay and one sunk in Jaffa port within an hour. There was also a devastating blast in the consolidated oil refinery plant at Haifa where one man was killed. Late reports indicate that no damage was done to the refinery installations at Haifa.

Another incident designed to add color and melodramatic flavor to the night of terrorism was the hold-up of a train on the line between here and Jerusalem. A party of armed terrorists, dressed in military uniforms, stopped the train shortly before midnight but immediately ran into a hail of fire from armed guards aboard and fled into the hills.

As a preliminary to all this violence, which incidentally comes on the eve of the Arabs' strike to protest against the Balfour Declaration on its twenty-seventh anniversary, was an attempted ambush of a British officer on the road between Haifa and Jerusalem. He was fired upon without effect.

As a result of this volcanic situation in Palestine a curfew was clamped on tonight forbidding all civilian traffic from using the roads outside the municipal areas from 8 P. M. to 7 A. M. This means the barring of buses, taxis and even interurban newspaper delivery.

Spokesmen for the railroads said tonight that the damage was so extensive that it would take from forty-eight to seventy-two hours to complete repairs. Even on the lines where no damage was reported all traffic ceased because of the possibility of time bombs.

There was no indication here tonight as to which of the terrorist bands were behind this widespread outbreak.

The Lydda attack, like all the rest, was an amateurish, bungled job, but it had its dramatic highlights. The attack started at 3:45 A. M. when the railroad station was deserted, except for police and military guards.

Signal Tower Attacked

The first inkling that something was afoot was the sound of what seemed to be Bren guns firing from the direction of the signal tower, about 500 yards north of the station. This fire, directed against the crew of three in the concrete signal box, was intended to draw fire away from the station and locomotive sheds, which were subsequently attacked by homemade mortars and other explosives.

The siege of the signal box was successful. One Tommy signalman was killed, another was wounded and a Palestinian policeman was mortally wounded when the box was blown up and he was buried under tons of concrete.

As the police and military ran in the direction of the box the next assault was made against the station, locomotives and sheds. This came from the cover of an orange grove just beyond the sheds. A train and three locomotives were badly damaged by a combination of mines and mortars and another locomotive was barely saved from destruction when a mine with a delayed action fuse was found in its cabin.

November 17th, 1947

Trial of Two Jews Begins

JERUSALEM, Nov. 17 (AP) — Two Jews went on trial today before the Jerusalem military court on suspicion of having caused an explosion under the Cairo-Haifa express on Aug. 9. They were Yeruham Ben-Issar Jacob Krubelnik, 18, a clerk, and Mordehai Zeev Sofar, 16, a pupil.

The Jewish engineer of the train was killed and five coaches were derailed.

Asked whether they pleaded innocent, the defendants replied, "we don't recognize this court and we will not take part in the proceedings."

One of twenty-eight British soldiers wounded Thursday in the bombing of a Jerusalem cafe died last night. The condition of three other victims was officially termed "dangerous." A British constable was killed and another wounded by gunfire from confederates of those who participated in the bombing.

Zionist terrorists are on patrol near the no-man's-land line in Katamon, Jerusalem, on May 6th, 1948. In the back left is the Arab owned hotel Semiramis, bombed by Zionist terrorist forces four months ago, with the argument that it was used as a headquarters for commanders of the Arabs. 15 men and women were killed in the explosion. Katamon, once an Arab community, was wrested from the Arabs in a three day battle ending May 4th, 1948. There was a continuous battle for days with automatic weapons, mortars, grenades and armored cars. The Arabs were poorly armed by comparison.

FEDERAL INQUIRY INTO BEGIN SOUGHT

'ashington Judaism Group Calls on Clark to Investigate 'Palestinian Terrorist'

November 30th, 1947

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30—A .deral investigation into the ac-/ities of Menachem Begin, former :ad of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, was ›ught today by the Executive Committee of the Washington chapter of the American Council for Judaism.

In a telegram to Tom C. Clark, Attorney General, the Executive Committee asked for an inquiry "into all the circumstances of Mr. Begin's presence here," and also "into the tax-free status of the organization sponsoring his visit." This group was listed as the American League for a Free Palestine.

The Executive Committee endorsed the accusation that Irgun was a "terroristic gang" which was made Sunday in a letter to members of the Begin reception committee by the Rev. Henry Sloane Coffin of Lakeville, Conn.; the Rev. John La Farge of New York and Rabbi Morriss Lazaron of Baltimore.

The Executive Committee said that in the light of resignations from the reception committee, and the "many statements of ignorance" as to how names appeared on the list of 100, it had asked Mr. Clark to ascertain the "circumstances surrounding the use of the names of so many" responsible leaders in American public life.

Mr. Begin, as leader of the Irgun, was attacked as responsible for the bombing of the King David Hotel in Jerusalem and the "kidnapping, garroting and booby-trapping of the two British sergeants which horrified the world."

Moneys given to the organization sponsoring his appearance here "certainly are in no way contributed for humanitarian purposes and are purely political," the executive committee asserted.

Its statement, released by Alfred N. Lilienthal, secretary and counsel, said that "sensible Americans of Jewish faith refuse to be cowed into silence when a Palestinian terrorist is paraded before the Americans public as a hero and uses the United States as a forum to attack Britain, a country with whom our one and only homeland, the United States, happens to be at peace and on the friendliest terms."

Another view of the Jaffa gate, at right, shows the relatively new clock tower. The name Jaffa Gate also refers to a breach in the wall slightly to the sought created in 1898 by the Ottoman authorities in order to allow German emperor Wilhelm II to enter the city triumphantly on a white horse. That breach, and the ramp leading up to it now allow cars to access the Old City. The L shape of the gate is formed as a classical defensive measure designed to slow down oncoming attackers. The gate is oriented towards Jaffa Road to accommodate arriving Pilgrims from the port of Jaffa.

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A dying Jewish raider whose bomb-laden vehicle is responsible for the rubble seen in this image is carried to safety by a British policeman and an Arab Policeman from a Muslim cemetery in Mamillah Road, Jerusalem, after the armored car in which he and four other Jews had driven in their bomb attack at Jaffa Gate had crashed. The heavy vehicle had crashed into the wall of the cemetery on January 7th, 1948. The armored car was wrecked by rifle fire from police and soldiers after dropping a second bomb at Mamillah Road. Eighteen people, 15 Muslims and 3 Jews, were killed in the attack, including the Zionist terrorist pictured being rushed to safety who later succumbed to his self-inflicted wounds.

24 ARABS KILLED IN 'PUNITIVE ACTION,' ZIONISTS DECLARE

12 Buildings Housing Snipers Reported Blasted—Brooklyn Man in Haganah Is Slain

AMERICAN WOMAN :'JRT

Shot as Convoy Is Ambushed —11 Persons Killed and 26 Wounded in Other Attacks

January 18th, 1948

By SAM POPE BREWER

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES

JERUSALEM, Jan. 18 — The Zionists today announced "punitive action" against Arab snipers' strong points outside Jaffa, in the Salameh and Tel Arish areas, during the night. They claimed twelve buildings were blown up, with twenty-four persons killed. Official sources did not confirm the report.

Yesterday's reports over the British Broadcasting Corporation radio of a serious frontier clash at Hanita, on the Lebanese frontier, still were denied both by official and private sources in Haifa.

Two Americans were among the casualties of the last two days. Ann Strauss, 24-year-old clerical worker in Hadassah Hospital, Jerusalem, was slightly wounded when a truck in which she was traveling was attacked today. A man who shielded her with his body was killed.

The other American victim was Mosheh A. Pearlstein [of 1459 Fifty-first Street, Brooklyn], who was killed when a Haganah force of which he was a member was wiped out by Arabs in the Kfar Etzion region on Friday.

[Mr. Pearlstein was the third American killed in Palestine since the United Nations partition vote last November, The United Press reported. The first was Abraham Weiner, 70, found dead in a sack near Jerusalem's old city wall during the three-day Arab strike immediately after the vote. Three weeks ago Carmi Rabinowitz, a United States war veteran and like Mr. Pearlstein, a member of the Haganah, was killed.]

Today's most serious attack was on a convoy moving toward Jerusalem on the Jaffa road. One Jew was killed, one was missing and nine others, including Miss Strauss,

FOUR JEWS GET LIFE IN PALESTINE FIGHT

Terrorists, Under 18, Are First Tried Since Partition Vote—Americans' Role Studied

January 19th, 1948

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 19—Four members of the Stern Gang who survived a fight with the police and troops at Raanana on Nov. 12 were sentenced today to life imprisonment in the first terrorist trial since the partition of Palestine was recommended by the United Nations.

The defendants, three boys and a girl, all under 18, caused so much disorder in the court by singing anthems that they were removed after the first half hour of the trial and brought back only for the announcement of the verdict.

Those sentenced were Abraham Halevski, 15; Josef Shalem, 16; Josef Zalichevsky, 15, and Miss Riva Lesiner, 17.

Palestine had one of her quietest days since the partition vote was announced six weeks ago. The funeral of thirty-five members of the Haganah, Zionist militia, who were killed near Surif two days ago was

" ...three killed when Jews passing in a car threw a bomb in Sarafind, one dead when Jews attacked in a bus in the Sheik Jarrah quarter of Jerusalem... "

Below, the Beersheba Municipal Building with arriving British officers seen circa 1914-1918, during the British colonization of Palestine

held at near-by Kfar Etzion without incident. Elaborate safeguards to prevent any incident were taken. The mourners, limited to one for each victim, left Jerusalem in two armored buses escorted by police armored cars. The military covered the road to prevent attacks.

[Among the Haganah men buried was Moshe A. Pearlstein, an American student.]

The nearest to a serious clash today was a Jewish attack on Tamra, an Arab village fourteen miles east of Haifa. Two Arabs were killed and six injured. The attackers' casualties were not known.

The day's total casulaties reported by the police were one Arab found dead near Safad, three killed when Jews passing in a car threw a bomb in Sarafind, one dead when Jews, attacked in a bus in the Sheikh Jarrah quarter of Jerusalem, returned the fire and two in the Tamra attack. Seven Arabs and three Jews were wounded.

No British circles here put any stock in newspaper stories of a British withdrawal from the Holy Land ahead of schedule. The British cannot afford complete anarchy in Palestine while they still have a considerable number of persons here.

If they were willing to abandon huge stores, the British could pull out their forces in a fortnight. If they decide at any time to do so, this country faces chaos.

The tunnels dug under Gaza and into Egypt are a lifeline for the underground economy in Gaza. The racist Zionist government of Israel throttles the legal Palestinian economy with legal restrictions on imports, exports, business dealings and sales such that over 80% of the Palestinian population are unemployed. The underground tunnels provide access to those items Israel restricts—oil for cooking, propane fuel for generators, cement for rebuilding, quality foods restricted by the Israeli government and medications made unavailable to Palestinians yet available to Jewish Israeli's. Somewhat like the "Jew Only" roads that traverse Israel and male Palestinian travel impossible.

Jews Press Mobilization

JERUSALEM, Jan. 19 (AP)—The office of the chief of Jewish mobilization announced tonight that all Jewish men and women in Palestine between 25 and 40 would be enrolled in defense work by Feb. 1.

The announcement said that Jewish students being graduated from high school or college would no longer be permitted to leave the Holy Land for advanced study, because all available strength was needed here in the fight against the Arabs.

Jewish and Arab workers clashed on the crowded docks in Haifa today. Military sources said one Jew was stabbed to death.

An informant at the United State Consulate said that the Consul General in Jerusalem was keeping the State Department "fully informed" of activities of former American soldiers of Jewish faith who were students at universities in Palestine and taking part in the Holy Land fighting.

Sources close to the Palestine Government said that the British Army surplus goods office here had agreed to sell twenty-one used Auster scout planes to the Jewish Agency for Palestine. The office also has agreed to sell other military equipment to the Agency, including barbed wire and light reconnaisance cars, the sources said.

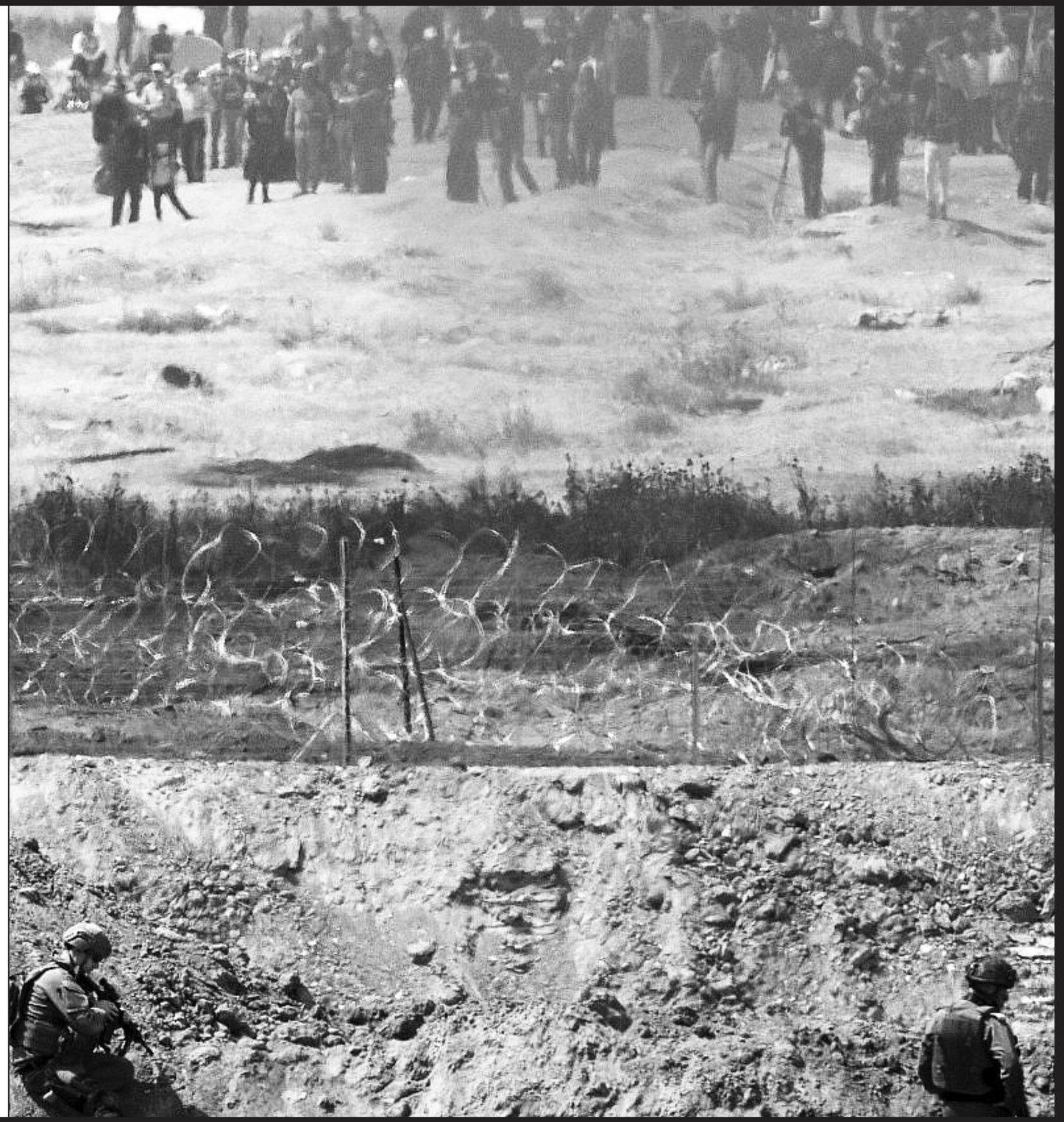
Sixty-five Ex-GI's in Haganah

JERUSALEM, Jan. 19 (UP)—The Jewish Agency for Palestine said today that sixty-five Americans attending school in Palestine under the GI Bill of Rights had enlisted in the Haganah.

The commander of the Haganah, a former colonel in the British Army, said at a secret headquarters that his troops "dominate every road, every path leading in and out of Jaffa" and would cut off and hold as hostages 100,000 Arabs if there was any massacre of Jews in isolated settlements in the north or south.

The commander said that the Jews were preparing for a war of at least a year with the Arabs but that the fighting would probably last three or four years.

A masked band of members of Irgun Zvai Leumi, terrorist organization, robbed the Maspero cigarette factory, near Tel Aviv, of 2,000,000 cigarettes in daylight. Members of the Haganah tracked the trucks down and, after what was described as a "fist fight," took 1,500,000 cigarettes and carried them back to the factory.



nine others, including Miss Strauss, were wounded. The convoy was caught in crossfire from both sides of the road but kept moving.

The road was dangerous at times during the day, and some vehicles leaving Jerusalem this morning had to turn back.

Another attack late tonight cost the lives of one Jew and three Arabs, with two Jews and two Arabs injured. These occurred when a convoy of seven trucks was attacked near Beit Shemesh, fourteen miles west of Jerusalem. That is the same area where the police last night reported Jewish forces were on the move.

In the Lydda area, near Jaffa, three Arabs were wounded today in two separate attacks on a road by Jews wearing khaki uniforms. Two other Arabs were wounded and one killed in Jaffa by snipers.

Casualties announced today by the police included eleven dead; six Arabs killed (they report only one death in Jewish bombings of Arab houses in Jaffa last night); four Jews killed (one found dead in Haifa, one found dead in Jerusalem and two in convoy ambushes), and one Irish Guardsman killed during the night when Arabs fired on a military vehicle in the Safad area; and twelve Arabs and fourteen Jews wounded, nine of the latter in the attack on the convoy on the Jaffa-Jerusalem road.

In the northern border area, the Trans-Jordan frontier force had completed its withdrawal and had been replaced by a detachment called Craforce, consisting of one battalion of Irish Guards, one battalion of a parachute regiment and one squadron of twenty-one Lancers' armored cars.

The Haganah stated tonight that it had issued an "order of day" to its Jerusalem contingent, saying:

"The enemy has selected Jerusalem as the primary target at which to direct its dastardly attacks. The defenders, however, have formed a valiant defense and far from contenting themselves with merely repelling the enemy's attacks have gone over to counterattack, inflicting telling blows and heavy casualties upon the Arabs."

The allusions are obscure as there have been no Arab attacks recently in Jerusalem, and even those in the suburb of Mekor Haim ceased some days ago.

Action in Hebron Hills Reported

JERUSALEM, Jan. 18 (UP)—Another Zionist "punitive expedition" attacked three villages in the Hebron hills southeast of Jerusalem, official sources reported tonight.

The Arabs reported that about 100 Haganah "troops" still were fighting nearly twenty-four hours after they attacked the Arab villages of Zacharia, Bet Netif and Deraban.

The Mayor of Hebron denied tonight that the Haganah had attacked or surrounded the three Arab villages, although they were named in a Government communiqué.

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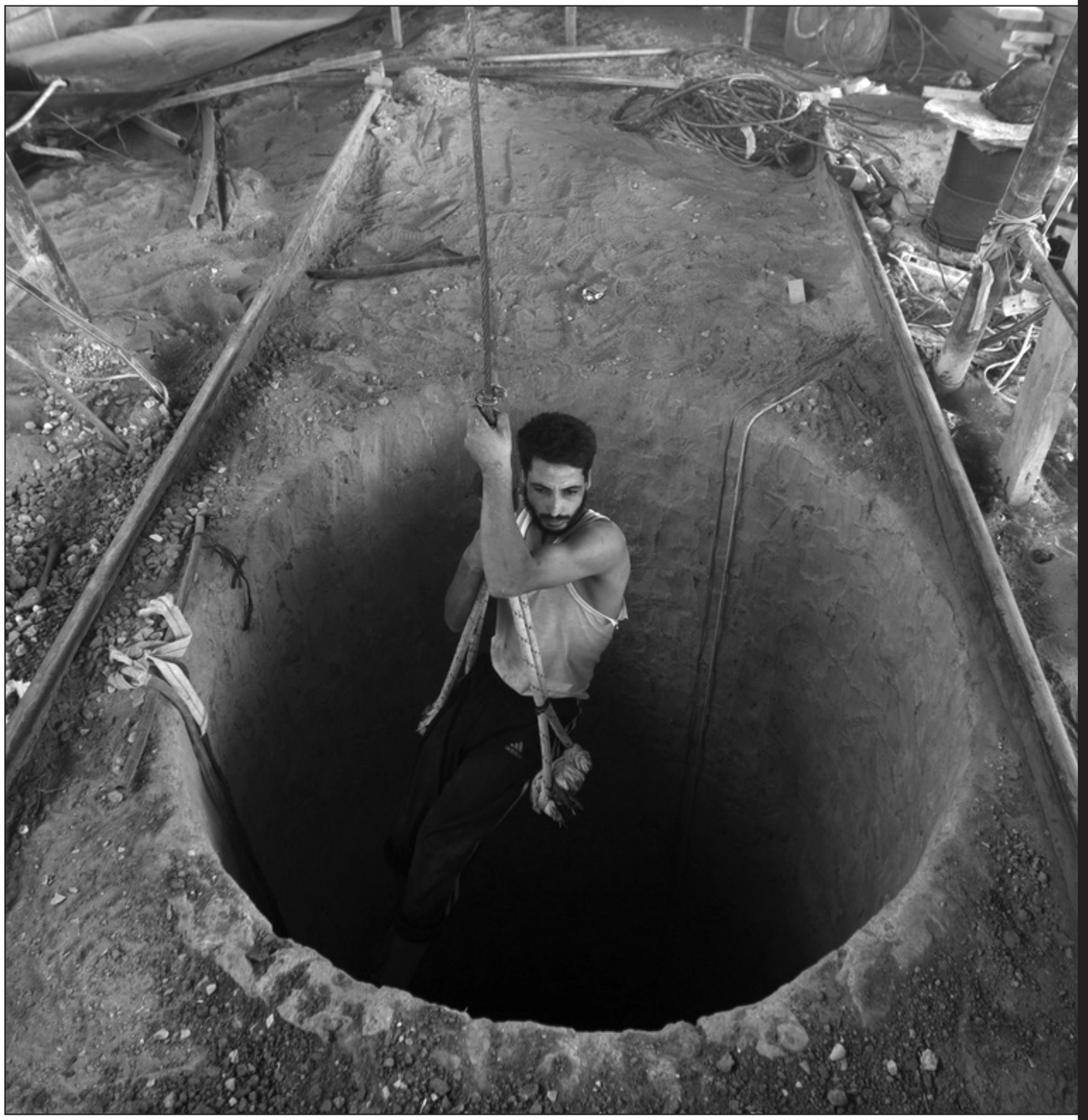

30 BRITISH SOLDIERS DIE IN PALESTINE AS MINES RIP TRAIN

Dozens Are Injured in 3 Cars of Express From Cairo—4th Group Saved by Dud

STERN BAND CLAIMS DEED

Troops Again Patrol Tel Aviv—6 Haganah Men Slain Invading Arab Village

February 28th, 1948

By SAM POPE BREWER

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 29—Twenty-eight British soldiers were killed when three cars on a Cairo-to-Haifa train were blown up by land mines near Rehovoth, south of Tel Aviv, today. Two of thirty-five men detained in a hospital died later, and it was feared that the final death toll might be heavier. Many others received lesser injuries.

The Stern band claimed responsibility for the outrage through anonymous telephone calls to Jewish newspaper offices. [A Sternist announcement said that "this is

The Stern band claimed responsibility for the outrage through anonymous telephone calls to Jewish newspaper offices. [A Sternist announcement said that "this is
our answer for last Sunday's Ben Yehuda Street crime," in which fifty-four Jews were killed in a Jerusalem explosion, The Associated Press reported. The Jews have blamed the British for that bombing, but the British have denied it and the Arabs have declared they were responsible.]

The ten-car Cairo express was passing through an orange grove a quarter of a mile north of Rehovoth at 8:45 A. M. when 100-pound charges of ammonal high explosive were detonated under each of three cars reserved for troops at the rear of the train. A fourth carload of soldiers escaped because a fourth mine failed to explode.

Set Off From Behind Post

The powerful blasts shattered the cars and flung wreckage and bodies into the orange groves. Examination showed that the unexploded mine and the others had been carefully buried under the ballast and set off electrically from a post behind the trees. Watchers on a pilot engine ahead of the train could not see the mines, and the first part of the train was allowed to pass over them.

Aid was delayed because the explosion cut telephone and telegraph wires, and it was an hour before the first Army medical aid arrived from camps in the area.

A Jewish source reported that the first Jewish settlers who went to help the injured were fired on by soldiers who thought they had come to finish off the wounded. The firing caused no casualties, and the settlers gave first-aid until doctors arrived.

The latest attack caused intense feeling among the British, but there was no effort at reprisal. The murder of the soldiers was regarded in official circles as particularly pointless as they were not engaged in any sort of operation but were a collection of individuals returning from leave, joining their units for the brief remainder of the British mandate, or were with an Army hockey team returning from a game in Egypt.

Macmillan Tours Area

Altogether, seventy-five out of the 110 soldiers on the train were injured sufficiently to be reported as casualties. Lieut. Gen. G. H. A. Macmillan, the British commander in Palestine, visited the scene during the day.

[British troops quickly began a search of the entire area and conducted a house-to-house investigation in Rehovoth, The United Press said. It added that one Jew was injured in another explosion near Rehovoth as Arabs blew up his house. It quoted Eliezer Perelson, Acting Mayor of Tel Aviv, as denouncing those responsible for the blast as "besmirching the Jewish name while the people's fate is in the balance."]

British patrol vehicles cruised through the Jewish city of Tel Aviv today for the first time since the policing of the city was turned over to Jewish authorities some weeks ago, but no incidents were reported. Rumors flew that a curfew would be imposed and there was a general rush to buy supplies.

Firing between the Jewish Yemin Moshe [Montefiore] and Arab sections of Jerusalem broke out this afternoon. Snipers in Yemin Moshe fired on an Army jeep and two police armored cars. A heavy armored car then was sent in by the Army and silenced the snipers with two-pounder shells. [This was the first time the British had used weapons of that calibre inside Jerusalem, Reuters reported.]

Meanwhile, 850 visa-less Jewish immigrants arrived in Haifa today in a schooner renamed the Builders and Fighters under naval escort. The schooner had been intercepted last night off the Palestine coast. The immigrants were transferred without resistance in Haifa to the steamer Empire Rival, which sailed later in the day for Cyprus.

Six Slain in Village Battle

Six Jews were killed when the Haganah yesterday invaded the Arab village of Salameh, outside Tel Aviv, it was revealed when the police recovered the bodies today. According to a Jewish source, the Haganah had received reports that Iraqi and Syrian volunteers were gathering in Salameh, and sent a party in to investigate. The Arab casualties were not known.

[The Arab Higher Committee announced in Beirut, Lebanon, that Arabs had attacked a Jewish village near Bayar, killing seven Haganah men, The United Press said.]

In two attacks on Jewish road convoys reported today, one Jew was killed and one injured.

The Haganah, in a broadcast tonight that later was denied by other sources, accused British soldiers of arresting twenty-four Haganah men today near Miqve Israel, just outside Jaffa, and turning them over to the Arabs. Jewish informants said the men had not been arrested but had been disarmed. However, the police said the men had been allowed to retain their arms, although they earlier had fired on the police. Such contradictory reports are typical of the current confusion here.

[The Haganah radio claimed that eleven Jews whose bodies had been found between Tel Aviv and Rehovoth had been among the men it alleged had been taken from a factory and handed over by the British to the Arabs, Reuters said. There was no confirmation of the Haganah report, which added that thirteen Jews still were missing. The United Press, apparently referring to the same report, said eight Haganah men had been killed when Arabs attacked an iron foundry near Jaffa.]

An official statement was issued today that twenty persons reported missing in the Ben Yehuda Street explosion had been located, leaving the final casualty figures at fifty-four dead and 111 injured, of whom sixty-one still were in hospitals.

Other casualties reported today from scattered incidents were the slaying by snipers of an Arab boy in Jaffa, and of three Jews. Five Arabs and eight Jews were wounded.

Two British soldiers were wounded slightly by Arab snipers in Jerusalem and two more by a booby trap in the Old City between the Jewish and Armenian sections.

Jerusalem Office Held Up

JERUSALEM, Feb. 29 (AP)—Eight Jews believed to be members of the Stern band robbed the Jerusalem Municipality Office of £800 ($3,200).

The police also reported that twenty armed Jews entered a Jerusalem Public Works Department office during the day, occupied it for five hours and carted off five motorcycles and a quantity of electrical equipment.

The Jerusalem police reported that they had foiled a jail break plot in the city's Central Prison by arresting two Jews who had disguised themselves as guards and tried to release a large number of Jewish prisoners.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 29 (Reuters)—The use of two-pounders in halting gunfire in this city followed the issuance of a proclamation by the British Military Headquarters warning both Jews and Arabs that the Army was prepared to use "more powerful weapons" than those available to the warring sides, in its efforts to put down their clashes.

In encounters where it is impossible to decide which side is the aggressor, the Army will use its weapons impartially against whichever side is firing, the British stated, with the object of stopping fighting at once with the minimum loss of life.

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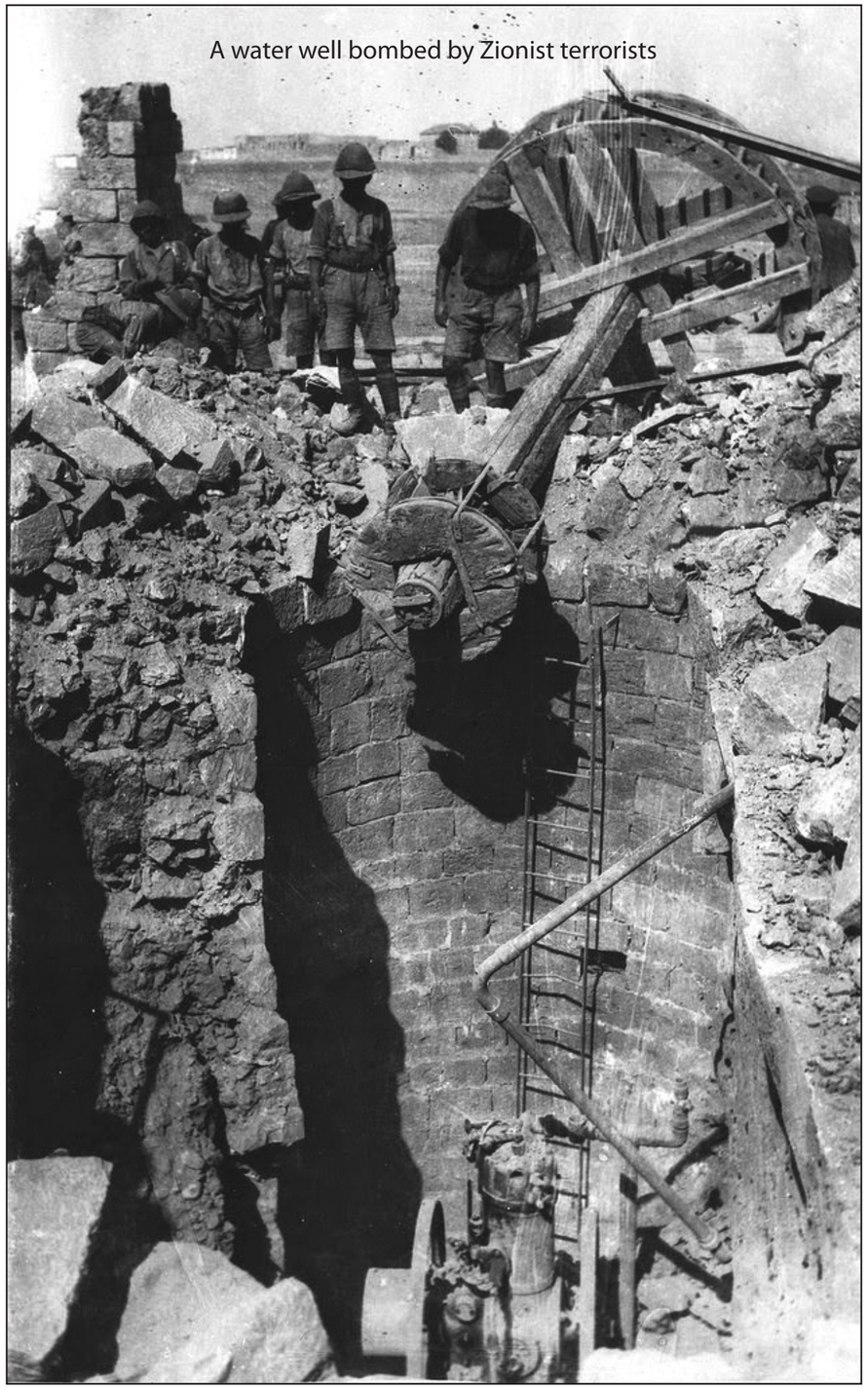


A water well bombed by Zionist terrorists

BRITISH CONTINGENT VACATES PALESTINE

1,500 Troops and Police, 300 Dependents Embark at Haifa as Bombing Rocks Port

March 6th, 1948

By DANA ADAMS SCHMIDT
Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, March 6—The first large contingent of British forces evacuating Palestine—about 1,000 troops of the Sixth Airborne Division and 500 policemen accompanied by 300 members of their families—embarked at Haifa today aboard the Cunard liner Franconia. The departure, scheduled for this evening, was postponed till tomorrow after tugs failed to dislodge the ship from the sand alongside the dock.

As the Britons went aboard the intermittent crackle of rifle and automatic fire and the crash of mortar bombs could be heard in town. One of the mortar bombs that exploded on the fringe of the Jewish quarter killed three Arabs and wounded two. It was fired from the direction of the Talpioth market in the Jewish area on the lower slopes of Mount Carmel.

Gaza 2018

Robert Hecox, a Paramount newsreel photographer, of Grand Rapids, Mich., was wounded in the right thigh by a sniper bullet, apparently fired by an Arab, as he was leaving Haifa in a British Army convoy after filming the embarkation. He was taken to the British military hospital in Haifa where his wound was pronounced "not serious."

Mr. Hecox was riding in a private car with THE NEW YORK TIMES photographer, Carl Gossett of Asheville, North Carolina, and Kenneth Enfield, British movietone news photographer. Several bullets pierced the car; one sheered off a nut on the bumper and a third hit Mr. Hecox.

Fawzi el-Kawukji, top field commander of the Arab volunteer "Liberation Army" entered Palestine from Syria today, according to highly placed Arab sources. The Arab Higher Committee declined, however, to confirm the news officially.

Although Fawzi el-Kawukji had been erroneously reported to have entered Palestine half a dozen times before and there were four distinct reports as to how he arrived, the probability is that he moved his main headquarters from Damascus to some point in the mountainous "triangle of terror" between Nablus, Jenin and Tulkarm.

The British-operated Middle East radio station tonight broadcast a report that Fawzi el-Kawukji had crossed into Palestine over the Allenby bridge and had visited Jerusalem and Ramallah en route to Nablus.

The Haganah radio, on the other hand, said he crossed into the northeastern corner of Palestine, presumably using the route through Lebanese territory that has been followed by many of his volunteers. Other reports had him crossing the Jordan River by boat and taking a route through Trans Jordan, a route that is also regularly used by volunteers.

Rumors that his arrival indicated an immediate Arab offensive and that he came at the head of 6,000 to 15,000 men, were discounted in responsible quarters. He is known to have 6,000 to 7,000 volunteers in Palestine, but the number of men being trained, or waiting in Syria, is not believed to exceed 3,000 at present.

The Arab commander is expected to be kept busy in the next few months organizing his forces and bringing such independent-minded subcommanders as Abdel Kader Husseini, in the Jerusalem area, and Hassan Salameh, in the Jaffa and Lydda areas, to submit to his active command in preparation for the major fighting that is believed bound to begin after the British departure.

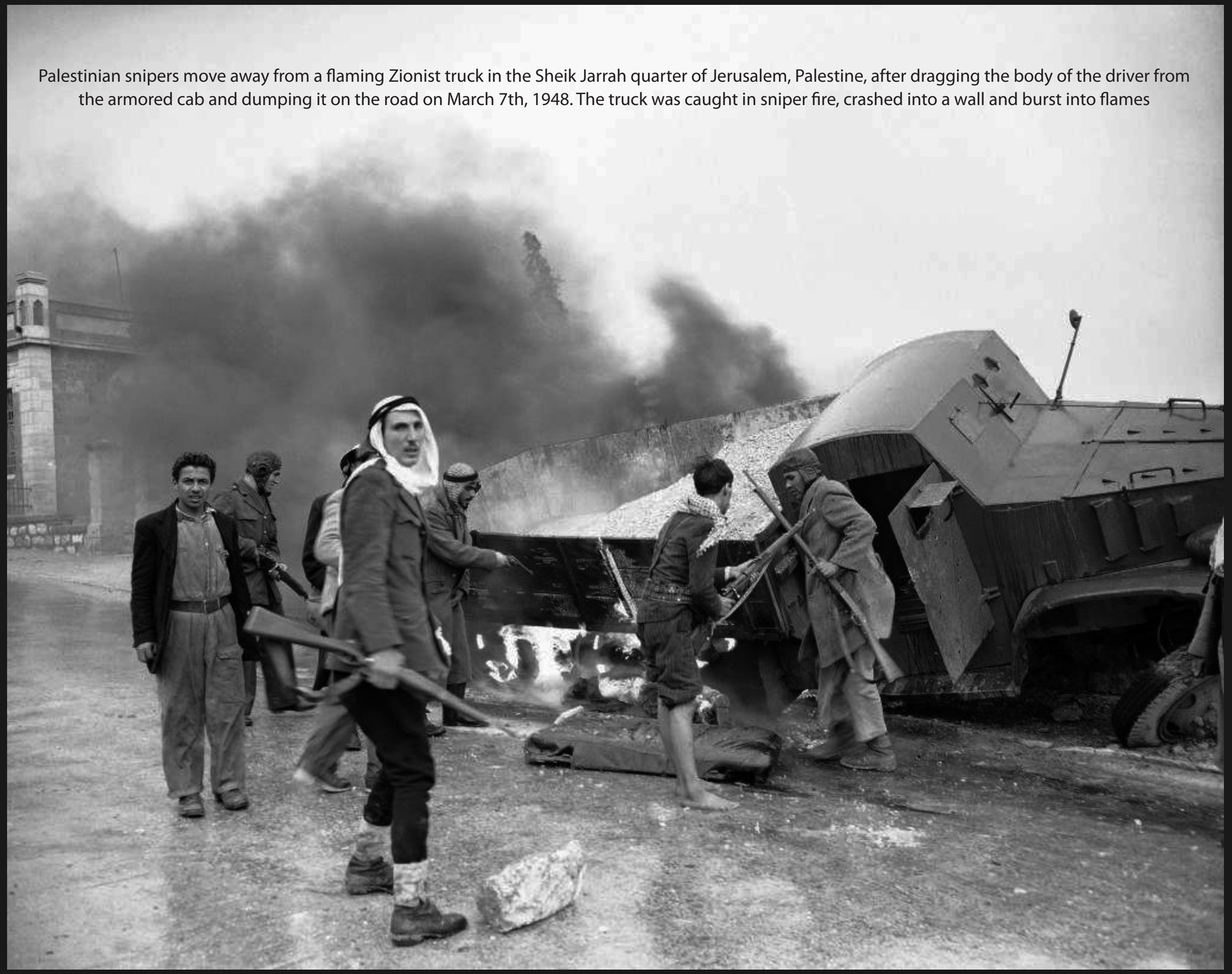
The British Palestine Government announced today that 288 Jewish detainees charged with terrorism and at present held at Gelgel detention camp, in Kenya, would be returned to Palestine "so as to arrive not later than July."

Almost all the detainees are members of the Stern group and Irgum Zvai Leumi, but several members of the Haganah are included. Some have been held as long as six years. They were moved two years ago from Latrun camp, in Palestine, to the Sudan, and from there to Kenya.

Last October twelve were released after a review of their cases by the British chief justice of Palestine.

This child is terrified. This experience is enough to cause a lifetime of Post traumatic Stress Disorder and all of the various symptoms that illness brings. To a child. The Muslim children in Gaza and Palestine are routinely and horribly brutalized by Israel Defense Forces. One doesn't need to wonder why these daily events create extraordinary animosity causing Palestinian children to "*act out*" and throw rocks and engage in other violent protest. Decades of imprisonment and abuse would cause anyone, especially a child, to go mad. The people of Gaza really do live in an outdoor prison created and designed by the racist Zionist government of Israel. Inflicting terror on the Palestinians is what Israel does best.

Palestinian snipers move away from a flaming Zionist truck in the Sheik Jarrah quarter of Jerusalem, Palestine, after dragging the body of the driver from the armored cab and dumping it on the road on March 7th, 1948. The truck was caught in sniper fire, crashed into a wall and burst into flames



BRITAIN FEARS U. S. WILL ARM ISRAEL

Shift on Palestine Embargo Spurs Misgivings as London Aid to Arabs Nears End

March 8th, 1948

By HERBERT L. MATTHEWS

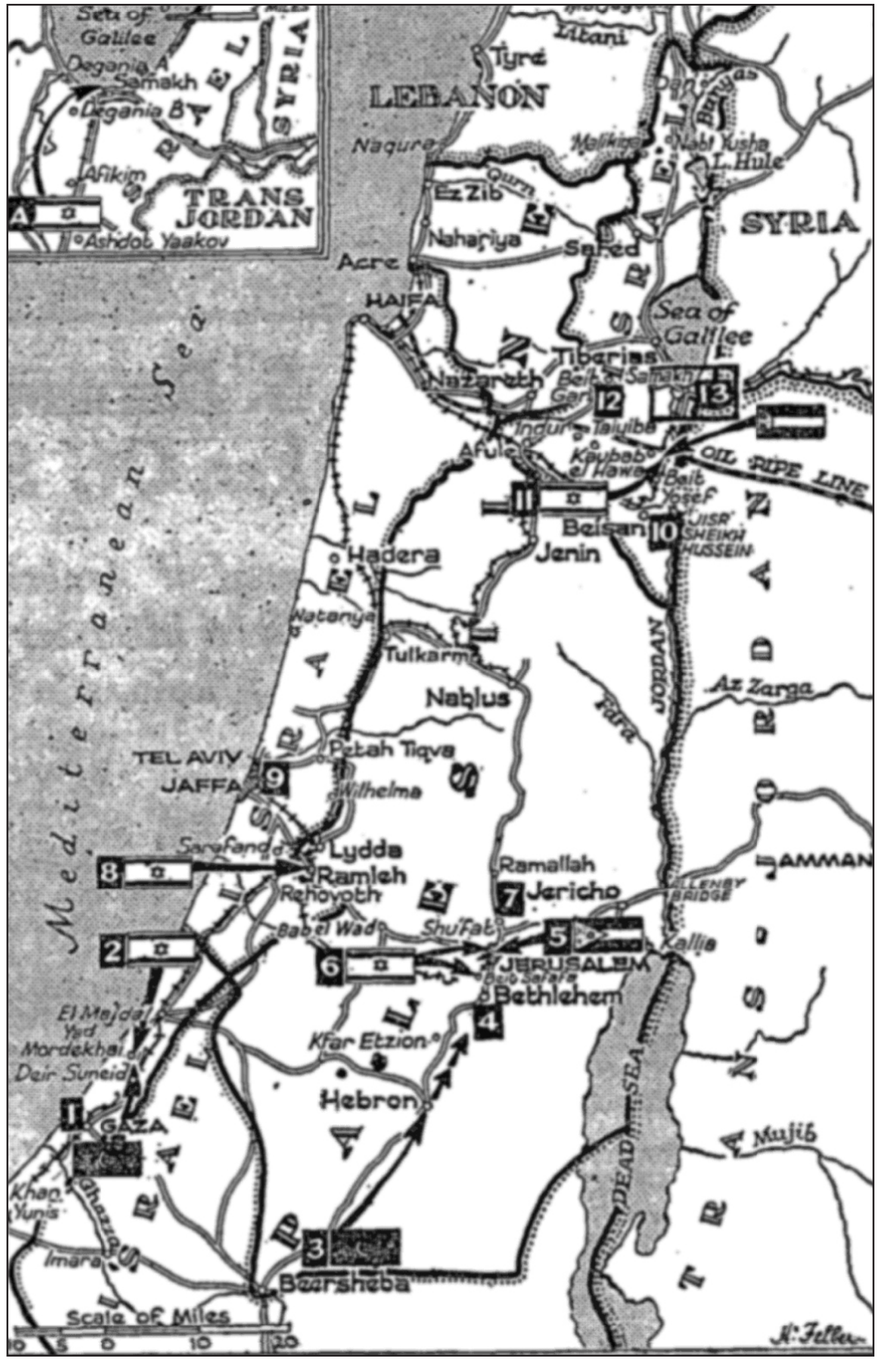
Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, May 21—Reports from Washington that President Truman plans to lift the arms embargo on Palestine aroused keen misgivings here today. British officials are already very much worried about the deterioration of Anglo-American relations over Palestine and they point to the fact that their supplies of arms to the Arab countries are being dried up just as the United States seems to be ready to send arms to Palestine.

Criticism of United States policy on Palestine is truly fierce in Britain these days just as American criticism has been of British policy. Neither side seems to be giving any quarter.

Britons, particularly at the Foreign Office were asking why the United States press had been overlooking the fact that Britain was delivering only those arms ordered up to last January and in the pipeline to the Arab countries in conformity with Britain's treaties. No new shipments are

THE BATTLE FOR PALESTINE IS UNABATED



At left, the map shows: Israeli planes bombed Gaza and Deir Suneid (1), Tel Aviv announced its troops had repulsed the Egyptians at Yad Mordekhai (2). Cairo reported its forces had occupied Hebron (3) and pushed patrols close to Bethlehem (4). The defenders in the Old City in Jerusalem (5) were hard pressed by Trans-Jordan's Arab Legion, but Israeli units counter-attacked in a northern section and at Beit Safafa (6). Their fliers attacked Legion concentrations at Shu'fat (7). Irgun Z'vai Leumi forces penetrated Ramleh (8). The Egyptian Air Force again bombed Tel Aviv (9). Iraqi planes raided Beisan (10) and Taiyiba, Indur and Beit Gan (12). Iraqi and Israeli ground forces battled in the Jordan Valley (11). In the Samakh area (13, Israeli troops drove the Syrians from Samakh (A on map), but the latter said they destroyed the settlements of Dagania A, Degania B, Afikim and Ashdot Yaakov. Above, in Laetaemat, Khoza'a, east of the city of Khan Younis, an Israeli manufactured automated robotic machine gun tower is seen from which Israeli Defense Forces soldiers can monitor and employ rapid-fire machine gun rounds operating from distant remote locations. Scouting and a physical presence are no longer needed to shoot innocent Palestinians farming near the border, as has been done for years—the shooting that is, the farming's gone on for centuries.

being made and no new orders taken.

This means that British arms supply to the Arab countries will trickle and finally dry up. Now it looks as if at that moment United States arms will start flowing, mainly to Israel. British officials ask what they are supposed to say to the Arab countries with which they have treaty obligations if at the same time Israel is being armed.

While Britons find it difficult to deny that their sympathies go mainly to the Arabs they claim that their policy is one of seeking to end the hostilities.

Feeling Is Anti-American

Allowing for some notable exceptions, the main feeling here these days is neither pro-Arab nor anti-Jewish; it is anti-American.

For instance, The Tablet, which is the main organ of the Catholic community in Britain, has a powerful attack on the Washington Administration in its front page editorial today. It is headed "An American Blunder" and refers primarily to President Truman's announcement of recognition of the state of Israel.

This is called "American foreign policy at its crudest," and "partisan opportunism" unworthy of a power "which seeks to stand as the chief custodian of order in international life." It is also called "double dealing" and "a disastrous step."

The Economist, another influential weekly, is more polite but equally critical. It refers to "the inconsistency once again displayed by President Truman," which, it says, makes war inevitable in

"Without a homeland, something will always be missing. We'll never have dignity."

Moneeb Sobhiyya, Palestinian Refugee

Palestine and "induces a worldwide belief in American opportunism and sharp practice."

Guardian Chides Bevin

The Manchester Guardian, which is one of the few pro-Zionist organs in Britain, argues strongly that Foreign Secretary Bevin should at least "recognize the facts, one of which will be the existence of a Jewish state, accepted as such by half of the world."

"Mr. Bevin has notoriously thrown over the policy of the Labor party, as expressed in many past conferences," The Guardian says editorially, "and what is worse, he has left it quite ambiguous whether the Government is not, by its lavish subsidies to Arab kings and its loan of British officers, ostentatiously backing one side in a civil war."

The London Times, which has been printing a notable series of letters to the editor on the Palestine situation, will publish a spirited defense of the Jews tomorrow morning over the signature of Maj. Lyall Wilkes, Laborite Member of Parliament, who fought in the Mediterranean theatre during World War II.

"Does public opinion at home," asks Major Wilkes, "appreciate (as it does abroad) that every tank and airplane now being used by the Arabs has been supplied from the United Kingdom; that the British air mission is still functioning in Iraq; that British missions are now working, training and re-equipping Arab armies in Saudi Arabia and Iraq; that between 1945 and 1947 we supplied Egypt alone with forty military aircraft, thirty-eight scout cars and 298

"Expelling people from their homes is a war crime. As well as preventing them from returning. Israel didn't just commit a war crime in 1948 but continues to commit one every day to this day."

Salman Abu Sitta, Author, Atlas Of Palestine, 1948

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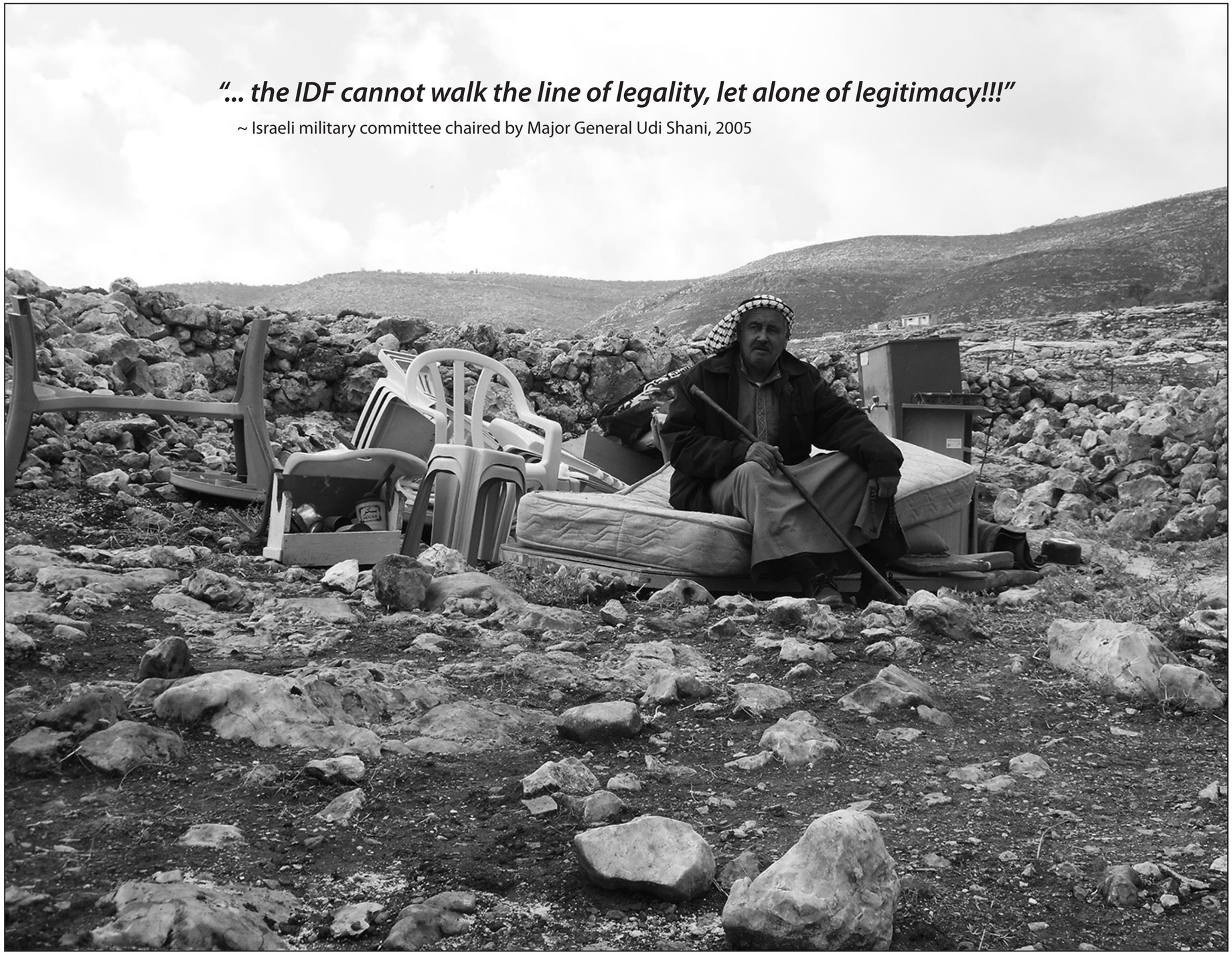
thirty-eight scout cars and 298 carriers apart from a great quantity of small arms and light equipment; that the Arab Legion, now waging war, is wholly subsidized by us with £2,000,000 [$8,000,000] a year and is commanded by thirty-eight British officers?"

Major Wilkes in his letter points to the Jewish war record on behalf of the Allies in the Middle East at a time when the Arabs were not only pro-German but even fought for the Germans.

Recalls Jewish War Record

"Will we never learn," he asks, "that we cannot subsidize aggression in the Middle East and oppose it in Greece or Persia, and that to climb now into the grandstand and attempt to wash our hands of responsibility for the slaughter perpetrated by our Spitfires and British-trained and officered Arab troops is conduct utterly unworthy of the traditions of a great nation and indicates moral degeneration within the political leadership of this country far more alarming than any signs of a merely materialistic or economic decline?"

Meanwhile the executive committee of the British Communist party issued a statement urging immediate recognition of the State of Israel and the cessation of all supplies and subsidies to the Arab states.



"... the IDF cannot walk the line of legality, let alone of legitimacy!!!"

~ Israeli military committee chaired by Major General Udi Shani, 2005

JEWS KILL 15 ARABS IN GALILEE VILLAGE

Raiders at Husseiniya Wound 20 More—British Seize 5 Zionist Police, Armored Car

March 13th, 1948

By SAM POPE BREWER

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, March 13—The Jews took the offensive today in northern Galilee, Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

Raiders killed fifteen Arabs and wounded twenty in an attack on Husseiniya, a village in northern Galilee, before dawn today. The village has been evacuated. Police and troops have moved into the neighborhood and the army has imposed a complete curfew on all roads north of Roshpinna from 8 A. M. tomorrow until 8 A. M. Tuesday.

Breaking the period of comparative peace in northern Galilee, a party of about fifty Jews moved in on the village, which is seven miles northwest of Safed and three miles west of the Syrian frontier, at 1:40 A. M.

Under heavy covering fire the attackers blew up twelve houses before withdrawing. The military, arriving on the scene, found unused hand grenades and a knapsack full of explosive left on the ground.

Husseiniya is a tiny village near the frontier. It is believed that it may have been suspected of serving as a transit point for volunteers coming into Palestine from Syria.

In Jerusalem, Jewish assault groups penetrated the Katamon district tonight to blow up two uninhabited apartment houses used by Arab snipers. One of them, Shahin House, which suffered most severely, was a five-story structure.

Three heavy explosions and one smaller one, beginning at 9:20 P. M., shook the whole city. Arab sources claimed that two Jews were killed during the attack.

The explosions served as a signal for setting off an hour-long heavy exchange of Bren gun and rifle fire between the Jews of Rehavia and the Arabs of Katamon and spread to the Arabs around the Jaffa Gate and the Jews of Yemin Moshe.

Rehavia is an all-Jewish residential area, while Katamon is a mixed Moslem, Christian, Arab and foreign residential area. As the buildings along the border of the two areas had been vacated, the snipers have moved in.

At Tel Aviv, Jews launched an attack tonight in the vicinity of the Abu Kebir flour mill on the border of Jaffa under cover of two-inch and three-inch mortar fire, according to British Army reports. The attack continued sporadically into the night, but no casualty reports are yet available.

Also in the north, British troops seized a Jewish armored car and arrested its crew of five Jewish settlement policemen about noon yesterday at Deganiya which spans the bridge over the Jordan River at the southern end of Lake Tiberias. The car was ten miles from its authorized patrol beat and contained a quantity of hand grenades, the police stated.

The Christian Arab chauffeur of the United States Consulate who disappeared just before the headquarters building of the Jewish Agency for Palestine was blasted, is still in Palestine and has admitted his guilt, an Arab source said today. The informant, who is generally reliable, said that Anton Daoud was now with Arab forces in the north on his way to Syria, and added that he had made a statement describing how he carried out the bombing here Thursday. He was said to have denied that he had left the scene of the explosion in a Jewish taxi, as had been reported, but that he had escaped over a barbed wire fence and out of the security zone under fire from Jewish guards at the Agency.

Two Arab children, one 6 years of age and the other 9, were wounded when Jews threw a bomb into their house in the Old City at 3 P. M., and a Jewish youth of 18 was shot and slightly wounded an hour and a half later in Princess Mary Avenue near the No Man's Land that has grown up between the Jewish and Arab commercial sections.

The shooting in Jerusalem began early last evening and continued throughout the night in the Jewish areas of Mekor Hayim and Ramat, and in the Katamon, Beit Safara and upper Bakaa areas held by Arabs. All these areas are on the southern fringe of Jerusalem.

Deaths officially reported in the day's fighting were two Jews and seventeen Arabs. Twelve Jews and thirty-one Arabs were wounded.

Two thousand British troops and 200 civilians evacuating Palestine sailed from Haifa yesterday aboard the Otranto. Their departure brought the total of troops who have left Palestine in the past week to 4,500 and of civilians to 640.

PayPal serves illegal Zionist settlers but won't allow Palestinians to open accounts. Without access to PayPal, Palestinian entrepreneurs, government agencies, non-profits and regular folks like you and I face routine and daily difficulties in receiving payments for goods sold for profit through business associations and even for non-profits unable to accept a charitable contribution or send and receive money. Above, a Palestinian farmer looks at Israeli army soldiers as he plants an olive tree near the West Bank town of Tubas in the Jordan Valley. He's here protesting the closure of the land to Palestinians by the IDF and Zionist settlers. Land his family once owned and had owned for generations.

EL-KHOURI CHARGES MASSACRE IN HAIFA

1948

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., April 22—Faris el-Khouri of Syria interrupted the United Nations debate on Palestine here today to cite the news of a "massacre" in Haifa as further evidence that the "Zionist program" is to annihilate Arabs within the Jewish State if partition is effected.

He spoke at the afternoon session of the General Assembly's Political and Security Committee, where earlier in the day France had proposed immediate action by the Trusteeship Council to protect the holy places in Jerusalem. Mr. el-Khouri said these places were "structures of stone" and that it was rather the people of Palestine who should be protected.

This brought a bitter reply from Jorge Garcia Granados of Guatemala, who said this was only an incident in a war "provoked" by the Arabs. He asked whether Arab guns that fired on Jews in Jerusalem used only "flowers and bread crumbs."

Jamal el-Husseini, deputy chairman of the Arab Higher Committee, said after the meeting that he felt that Mr. el-Khouri's comment had been "out of order."

"We should not complain," he said. "After all, this is war. We must take it and we must give it."

ISRAEL ARRESTS 70 IN IRGUN ROUND-UP; 2 MINISTERS RESIGN

Cabinet Men Quit in Protest Against Tel Aviv Fight Over Gun-Running Incident

PETER BERGSON DETAINED

He Heads List of Dissidents Held — Extremist Leader Disavows Government

June 23rd, 1948

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

TEL AVIV, Israel, June 23—As an aftermath of yesterday's battle between the Israeli Army and Irgun Zvai Leumi, the Government arrested seventy Irgunist members and Irgun Zvai Leumi announced that it would no longer recognize the Government.

The situation became further disrupted with the resignation of two Cabinet members associated with Mizrachi, religious organization. They are Rabbi Yehuda Leib Fishman, Minister of Religious Institutions, and Moshe Shapiro, Minister of Immigration.

The head of Mizrachi, Rabbi Meyer Berlin, who announced the resignations, charged that Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion had been acting independently in the government and not consulting his Ministers before making decisions that affected the entire country and its future. He asked that an inquiry committee be established to prevent dictatorship in Israel.

Irgun Zvai Leumi also declared that its soldiers, recently mobilized in the Israeli Army, would be withdrawn. They were ordered by their leader, Menahem Beigin, not to take the oath of allegiance to the state and at the same time never again to take up arms against their "brothers," as they did yesterday when the Haganah and Irgun Zvai Leumi fought an open battle.

While foresaking the state, Irgun Zvai Leumi considered the concentration of the Arab enemy on the borders and urged its men to prepare for that kind of battle instead of killing their own brethren.

"However, in view of the fact that the Anglo-Arab enemy is still at your gates, Irgun soldiers are ordered not to utilize their arms under any circumstances within the state of Israel in order to avoid fratricide," Mr. Beigin said.

Bergson in Custody

Among those arrested in today's round-up of dissidents was Peter Bergson, head of the Hebrew Committee for National Liberation. He was arrested after he had left Kfar Vitkin above Natanya where the Irgun Zvai Leumi attempted to land a shipload of arms Monday night.

The beaching of the ship here started yesterday's fantastic battle between Haganah and Irgun Zvai Leumi.

It is believed that Mr. Bergson's organization financed the ship and its cargo, valued at $5,000,000, all of it now burning off the Tel Aviv shore. Also arrested was Monroe Fine of Chicago, captain of the ship, who served in the United States Army for three years.

Another was the commander of the ship's complement, a man known only as "Commander Benjamin." He was formerly commander of the Irgunist forces in Jerusalem and is said to have purchased all the arms cargo in Europe.

About sixty others were arrested while sleeping in the offices of the Revisionist press in Tel Aviv last night.

Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion announced later tonight that an inquiry judge would be appointed to investigate those persons arrested and that any who had not acted against the Government would be released.

He also said that a committee of three persons would be formed to investigate the arming of dissidents and to take all necessary steps against groups seeking to undermine the Government.

Another notable dissident who was arrested was Samuel Merlin, who was wounded during yesterday's battle, and is now in Hadassah Hospital. He was aboard the ship when it was beached here. Mr. Bergson, whose original name is Hillel Kook, is a native of Palestine and left here twelve years ago. His brother, Herzel Kook, was chief surgeon at Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem and his father was former chief rabbi of Jerusalem. He came here on a British aircraft on May 15 when the new state was proclaimed, and after ten days left for Paris. He returned again Thursday to prepare for the ship's landing. He is now being detained on charges of leaving Palestine without an exit permit and returning without a proper visa.

This Irgunist uprising is not being underestimated by the state. Mr. Ben-Gurion said tonight that "it is the bitterest blow our state has faced." He added that the "danger is no less because it comes from within."

After reminding everyone in Israel that the war was not over but that there was merely a period of truce, he said:

"At this moment this danger of armed gangs threatens something that is more important than the existence of the state, and that is the defensive capacity of the Jews of Israel for their future and the future of their people."

While Mr. Ben-Gurion was making this plea, Mr. Beigin was characterizing his government as "criminal oppressors" and him as a "lunatic dictator." He condemned "criminals and traitors who would shell a ship with Hebrew arms" but at the same time ordered his soldiers not to use their arms against the state under any circumstances.

Beigin Says 800 Landed

TEL AVIV, June 23 (AP)—Menahem Beigin, Irgun's commander, told correspondents last night that the LST [Landing ship, tanks] Altalena landed 800 European-trained combat soldiers at Natanya Sunday night before it proceeded to Tel Aviv. Censors prevented correspondents from filing accounts of Mr. Beigin's news conference until this afternoon.

Some forty persons were reported killed or injured when Irgun Zvai Leumi tried to land the 600-ton munitions cargo from the LST on the Tel Aviv beach. Israeli mortar fire blasted the ship, which burst into flames.

Regime Overthrow Urged

Combined American Press Dispatch.

JERUSALEM, June 23—A local leader of Irgun Zvai Leumi urged in a speech today that Jerusalem Jews overthrow the Government of Israel.

This was the outstanding reaction here to the clash in Tel Aviv between the Army of Israel and Irgunists over the latter's attempt to land a loaded arms ship during the United Nations truce.

The Irgunist leader addressed a relatively small crowd from an armored car at Zion Square.

Mediator to Sift Ship Case

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., June 23—Count Folke Bernadotte, the United Nations mediator, reported to the Security Council today that he had ordered a full investigation of the attempt by an LST [landing ship, tanks] to land war materials "and possibly personnel" near Tel Aviv.

U. S. to Send 10 More Observers

WASHINGTON, June 23 (AP)—The State Department said today that it planned to send ten more United States military observers to Palestine to help watch the truce.

Press Officer Lincoln White said four officers from the Army, three from the Air Force, two from the Navy and one from the Marine Corps would leave soon.

Count Bernadotte had asked ten more observers each from the United States, Belgium and France, the countries on the United Nations Truce Commission.

Rhodes Talks Commence

RHODES, June 23 (AP)—United Nations political and technical experts began informal conferences today with Arab and Israeli experts in a search for permanent Palestine peace.

Four United Nations representatives met for two hours with four Arab experts in the Hotel des Roses, headquarters of Count Bernadotte.

The United Nations experts then held a meeting with the Israeli representatives.

MacMillan Boards Cruiser

HAIFA, June 23 (Reuters)—British evacuation of Palestine entered its final phase this afternoon when Lieut. Gen. G. H. A. MacMillan, British commander in chief, moved his headquarters from Mount Carmel to the cruiser Phoebe anchored in Haifa Bay.

British Deny Irgun Charge

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, June 23—An explosive denial—"it's a downright lie"—was a British Foreign Office spokesman's comment tonight on the allegation from Irgun Zvai Leumi's headquarters in Paris that Britain had increased her supply of arms to the Trans-Jordan forces since the beginning of the cease-fire in Palestine.

French Aiding Mediator

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES

PARIS, June 23—It was announced at the Cabinet meeting today that France has accorded the Palestine mediator, Count Folke Bernadotte, the material means that he requested, including a certain number of officers and a warship, which, it was stated, has already left Bizerte, Tunis.

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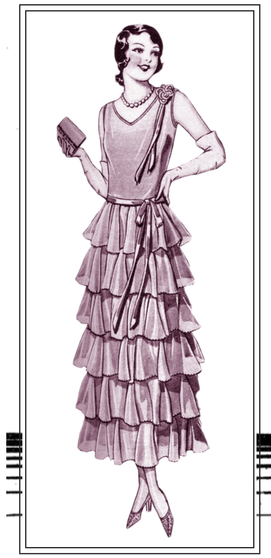

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IRGUN SHIP AFIRE IN TEL AVIV BATTLE WITH ISRAELI ARMY

Dissidents Fight Regulars Near U. N. Quarters Over Landing of Arms and Immigrants

HAGANAH GIVES UP BEACH

Irgunists in the Army Restore Calm—J. G. McDonald Named U. S. Envoy to New State

June 23rd, 1948

By GENE CURRIVAN

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

TEL AVIV, Israel, June 22—The Israeli Army and Irgun Zvai Leumi, a Zionist dissident band, waged a violent battle today when Irgun attempted to land a cargo of arms and ammunition within a few hundred yards of the headquarters of United Nations truce officials. The struggle ended with Irgun in control of the beach but with its ship ablaze and the cargo exploding sky high.

The area was evacuated when the ship caught fire. Pandemonium gripped the streets during the fight

Illegal aliens from the Altalena heading to a British prison ship for deportation

"Exodus 1947" was a ship that carried 4,500 Jewish immigrants from France to British Mandatory Palestine in 1947, all illegal immigrants without documentation. A group that the French government was glad to be rid of. The ship was quickly boarded by the British Navy in international waters and all of the smiling passengers were eventually deported.

On board the illegal alien transport Altalena before the British boarded, debarked and deported all of the illegal alien passengers to waiting British prison ships

and civilians ran for their lives.

The struggle ended only after Irgun units of the Army had taken control and forced dissidents within the organization who were aboard the ship and on the beachhead to cease firing.

This was Irgun's second attempt in two days to land the cargo in Israel.

When the beached ship went ablaze the struggle was still raging up and down the beach. As it was believed that several tons of ammunition and explosives were aboard, all hotels and other buildings along the waterfront were ordered evacuated. Men, women and children ran into the bullet-raked streets and fled through alleys toward the center of town.

Blasts Heard Mile Away

Within a few minutes there was a series of explosions that could be heard a mile away, but there was no major blast, as had been feared.

Where the hundreds who were removed are going to sleep tonight remains to be seen, as the entire beachfront area was taken over by Irgun.

[James G. McDonald, long a champion of a Jewish national home in Palestine, was named by President Truman to be the first United States diplomatic representative in Israel under an agreement for an exchange of missions. The head of the new state's mission in Washington is Eliahu Epstein.]

There was no official report of the casualties in the day's fighting, but this correspondent saw a number of dead and wounded. Some had been hit in front of the hotel where press headquarters had been established temporarily, others on the beach and a few in the landing operation. Some had been shot in the water as they leaped off the ship and others were hit by mortar fragments as they attempted to swim ashore.

Beigin Aboard Ship

The head of the dissidents, Menachim Beigin, was one of the last to leave the ship. He got off only because some of his "suicide" squads had gone back for him. When he was forced off, the other men were leaping into the sea as smoke billowed.

For an hour before, shore batteries had been pouring mortars into the vessel. For hours it was impossible to tell who was shooting at whom. It looked for a time as if everything was out of control.

In addition to the forces fighting on the beach, another unit clashed with one holding one side of a street. The Irgun commanders seemed to have no control over their men, who kept blazing away after having been ordered to cease fire or argued and screamed that they were going to fight to the last.

It took considerable talking and innumerable street-corner conferences, with bullets cutting through the air, before the situation was under control. Calm was restored when the Haganah, Zionist militia, which became the mainstay of the Army, agreed to leave the area and to permit the Irgun "regulars" to deal with their own dissidents.

The Army has given way to Irgun for strategic reasons. Later Army and Irgun men were fraternizing. It now apppears that the situation is completely in hand, with Irgun and the Haganah in agreement.

Although this blow-up may have political repercussions, the arms embargo was not violated.

In a broadcast tonight Mr. Beigin said the ship's cargo included 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition, 1,000 grenades, 300 Bren guns, fifty German Spender guns, 4,000 aerial bombs, nine tanks and fifty anti-tank guns. He said that the Israeli Government had known of the ship's arrival and had agreed to a plan to have 20 per cent of the arms to go to Jerusalem and to divide the rest between Irgun men in the Israeli Army and the rest of the Army. He insisted that the Government was not telling the truth about the matter.

Meanwhile Moshe Shertok, Foreign Secretary of Israel, held a press conference in which he accused Irgun of having deliberately tried to break the truce by refusing to surrender its arms to the Government. He said the Government had planned to call on Count Bernadotte, United Nations Mediator, to arrange for the supervision of the cargo, but that Irgun had refused to surrender it. He held that the action taken by the Government was not only in line with its determination not to violate the truce but was primarily an action to defend the sovereignty and authority of the state.

Mr. Shertok acknowledged that the new state was "facing an internal crisis" but said it would see the matter through against "military and political anarchy." He charged that many Irgun members of the Army had deserted.

"The State of Israel was badly in need of arms, but it was better to see it [the cargo] go up in flames than to have it reach the hands of those ready to turn guns against their own state," he said.

To complicate matters, the Stern Group, which recently sent its men into the Army, announced it was going underground again rather than work with a state that fired on its brothers.

The Israeli Army-Irgun clash was one of the world's most fantastic battles. Brother fired on brother and neither side knew half the time who was the enemy. Every time Irgun attempted to bring in its landing craft, loaded with men, arms and ammunition, the battle reached new heights. Irgun men on the beach and on the ship gave covering fire, but the Haganah and the craft zeroed in from a dozen directions. The vessel landed twice but had to give up as the attempt was too costly.

Meanwhile other Irgun units in the Army broke through from the center of Tel Aviv to the beach. They came down near the Armon Hotel, where the Haganah was entrenched, and took up positions in a cafe next door and behind a park wall across the street.

When it looked as if a new battle was about to begin, Irgun and Haganah officers got together and called for a cease-fire. This lasted about five minutes, and then a mortar shell landed in the park across from the Armon, badly wounding an Irgun man. The firing was resumed, but word finally reached the Haganah men on the beach and there was quiet for a while except for certain belligerents who seemed to be carrying out personal feuds.

Irgun started the friction yesterday when it landed on the beach above Nathanya 600 men and 150 women. The Haganah was on hand to meet the vessel and to prevent the landing of arms and ammunition. After a battle on the beach the ship, an American LST (landing ship, tanks), withdrew and came in here just after midnight. She was fired upon heavily as she was beached.

In defiance of Haganah shore batteries, Irgun sent in a small landing craft with men and arms and took up positions on the beach. Haganah held its fire and let the first boat come in but placed a cordon around the beach.

A short time later Irgun sent in another landing craft and the battle was on.

Air Blackout Restored

TEL AVIV, June 22 (AP)—Air-raid sirens sounded late tonight, the first night in six weeks that the city's blackout had been relaxed.

Later, persons watching the waterfront from distant hilltops said there were twelve or fifteen explosions.

British Get Irgun SOS

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, June 22—Before pushing ashore at Tel Aviv in defiance of the Israeli regulars, Irgun Zvai Leumi fighters aboard the arms ship beached off the Zionist capital sent a distress message today saying that the vessel was burning badly.

The Admiralty received a message relayed by a British tanker from the Altalena, the vessel lying on the Tel Aviv seafront. It said:

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U. S. RECOGNITION OF ISRAEL URGED

Corsi Makes Plea Before 3,000 Delegates of Committee for Labor Israel

June 25th, 1948

Edward Corsi, State Industrial Commissioner, called yesterday afternoon on the United States Government "to extend the same recognition to the Republic of Israel that Soviet Russia already has extended."

Addressing 3,000 delegates at the closing sessions of the two-day national convention of the National Committee for Labor Israel at the Commodore Hotel, Mr. Corsi asserted that the overwhelming majority of the American people want "a Republic of Israel to live, to remain and to prosper."

After urging de jure recognition, he added:

"I should like to see the American people, through their Government, extend to the people of Israel the credits and loans that they need to keep their people at work, to insure happiness and welfare of those 700,000 pioneers fighting for liberty in the Near East."

Paying tribute to Histadrut, the labor organization in Israel, Mr. Corsi said that it was "the greatest single factor in the building of the Republic of Israel."

Isaac Hamlin, national secretary of the committee, announced that it had received more than $1,000,000 and $5,000,000 had been pledged toward its nation-wide

Zionist youth groups, at left, were modeled after adolph Hitler's highly successful youth organizations, a poster for which is pictured above, developed as propaganda arms of the state to indoctrinate children at an early age. For example, being told at 6 or 7-years-old that you're one of gods chosen people is a difficult concept to come to terms with. I didn't feel any more special than anyone else. In fact, it wasn't long, perhaps as early as 10 or 12 years old that I realized a number of concepts taught to Jewish children even here in the United States, are quite contrary to normalcy, morality and ethics. Calling themselves "*God's chosen people*" has gained the Zionists not just sympathy, but yards of actual and financial real estate, so to speak. Yet we all know we're all God's chosen people, each and everyone of us.

campaign for $10,000,000 on behalf of Histadrut.

Police Commissioner Arthur W. Wallander presented a check for $2,500 from the Police Shomrim Society toward the Histadrut budget of $25,000,000 for 1949, saying, "There'll be more coming." Commissioner Wallander said that eight Israeli policemen would enter the Police Academy on Feb. 1 for a three-month training course.

Harvey Rosen, secretary of the Fire Department, said $1,000 had been sent to the committee by Fire Commissioner Frank Quayle. The city had presented a piece of renovated fire equipment to Tel Aviv, he added.

The convention was marked by the re-election of Joseph Schlossberg as national chairman; Max Zaritsky, national treasurer; Abraham Miller, chairman of the board of directors; and Mr. Hamlin, as national secretary. The delegates unanimously adopted a resolution changing the 25-year-old name of National Committee for Labor Palestine to National Committee for Labor Israel.

Menachim Begin, pictured in his dress uniform at right, oversaw a group of various organizations throughout his lifetime, all exploiting human beings and employing terrorism to gain sociopolitical and personal financial advantages. His Hashomer youth groups were no different than the Hitler Youth's seen at the far right. What were they indoctrinated with, you might ask? Irgun policy was based on Revisionist Zionism founded by Ze'ev Jabotinsky. According to Howard Sachar in his book, "*A History Of Israel: From The Rise Of Zionism To Our Time*, pp. 265-266), "*The policy of the new organization was based squarely on Jabotinsky's teachings: every Jew had the right to enter Palestine; only active retaliation would deter the Arabs; only Jewish armed force would ensure the Jewish state.*"

Jabotinsky formed the Irgun Z'vai Leumi in 1931, fully seventeen years before Israel became a state. This became the policy adopted not just by the Irgun but by all Israeli leaders to this day and it's readily apparent observing the harsh killing machine that the Israeli state

has become. With well over 100 protesters murdered along with doctors and media personnel during recent protests—murdered by sharpshooters from great distances—it's no surprise that Israel, employing terrorism at its harshest, is becoming an accepted global Pariah state.

"...only active retaliation would deter the Arabs; only Jewish armed force would ensure the Jewish state."

SOVIET CHARGES U.S. WRECKS PARTITION FOR OIL AND A BASE

Gromyko in U. N. Asserts America and Britain Want Palestine for Strategy

AUSTIN MOVES TRUCE PLAN

March 30th, 1948

Formally Proposes Security Body Call Special Assembly —Backing Still Uncertain

By THOMAS J. HAMILTON

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., March 30—Andrei A. Gromyko, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, today accused the United States of "wrecking" the partition of Palestine because of "their own oil interests and military-strategic positions in the Middle East." "It is beyond any doubt that the wrecking of the decision on partition would mean a serious blow upon the United Nations organization, and the responsibility rests fully on the United States," he said.

"there were [corpses of] women lying in houses with their skirts torn up to their waists and their legs wide apart; children with their throats cut open, rows of young men shot in the back after being lined up at an execution wall. There were even bodies of babies."

The Soviet representative told the United Nations Security Council that the Soviet Government still considered partition "a just solution." He contended that the American proposals for suspending the implementation of the General Assembly resolution and establishing a temporary trusteeship were intended to "convert Palestine into a military-strategic base of the United States and England under the pretext of maintaining order in that country."

Although these were the two basic points in the revised United States program, as announced to the Security Council by Warren R. Austin on March 19, neither was included in the two resolutions introduced by Mr. Austin today.

Asks Truce and Special Session

One of these called for a truce in the Holy Land and proposed that the Council ask the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Arab Higher Committee to name representatives to meet with the Security Council "at once" to arrange a truce. The other proposed that the Security Council call a special session of the General Assembly "to consider further the question of the future Government of Palestine."

At the same time the exiled Grand Mufti of Jerusalem ended his boycott of the United Nations by circulating a "Charter of Palestine Arabs," listing "sacred principles." These reaffirmed opposition to any Jewish state in Palestine.

Mr. Austin did not refer to President Truman's statement last week, which insisted that the United States still favored partition as the ultimate solution. He explained that the United States was delaying the submission of a resolution on trusteeship in order to save time. He added that the "details" of the trusteeship plan could be discussed in the Council during the fifteen-day waiting period after the special session had been called.

A spokesman for the United States delegation said tonight that the United States still planned to introduce another resolution suspending the work of the Palestine Commission. In default of instructions to the contrary, the commission announced yesterday that it was proceeding with its task of setting up a provisional council of government in the proposed Jewish state.

Austin and Gromyko Speakers

Mr. Austin and Mr. Gromyko were the only two speakers at the Council today, and Dr. T. F. Tsiang, Chinese representative, who is chairman this month, adjourned the meeting after Mr. Gromyko spoke. The next meeting on Palestine will be held at 2:30 P. M. on Thursday.

A United States spokesman announced before the meeting that the United States was certain that it had the seven votes required to pass the truce resolution, and was reasonably confident on the proposal for a special session. Delegates gathered excitedly in the delegate's lounge to find out why Dr. Tsiang had banged his gavel.

The sudden adjournment, it developed, resulted from the fact that Dr. Jose Arce, Argentine representative, still had not received instructions on the proposal for a special session, while Alexandre Parodi, French representative, still wanted to know just what the United States intended to do about the proposed trusteeship.

Since it was taken for granted that Sir Alexander Cadogan, British representative, would continue to abstain, and that the Soviet and Ukranian representatives would either abstain or vote against calling a special session, this meant that the United States resolution would have gotten only six votes today, one short of a majority.

For that matter, Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, Canadian representative, joined M. Parodi last Wednesday in insisting on the necessity of full information regarding the intentions of the United States before the Security Council endorsed a new solution. Unless General McNaughton was convinced by Mr. Austin's statement today, this would have meant only five votes, two short of the majority.

"Double Veto" Could Block

Although Mr. Gromyko could use his "double veto" to block a Security Council call for a special session, most delegates believe he will not. In that event, the United States could still ask for a special session on its own initiative, and this would be held if twenty-nine of the fifty-seven member nations agreed. However, the delay in action by the Council means that the session cannot be held at the earliest until April 16, less than a month before the British are scheduled to lay down the mandate in Palestine.

Mr. Gromyko alluded today to the efforts by the United States to persuade Great Britain to retain the mandate at least for the time being. This, he said, would mean that the trusteeship plan would be started off "with the same English or other foreign bayonets already known to the peoples of Palestine."

Two other points in Mr. Gromyko's speech drew special note by delegates:

(1) He challenged the contention of the United States that it is impossible to carry out partition by peaceful means, and dismissed Mr. Austin's arguments on this point with the statement that they were "aimed at preparing the ground to bury the plan of the partition and to justify the new American proposal on Palestine."

(2) He insisted that trusteeship "would not eliminate the difficulties" mentioned by the United States. The original reversal of the United States position was based primarily on objections by the Joint Chiefs of Staff to sending Soviet troops to Palestine. Since it is obvious that a trusteeship would require at least as many troops, if not more, there was general agreement with Mr. Gromyko on this point.

The use of military force could

be avoided, of course, if both Jews and Arabs agreed to the truce proposed by Mr. Truman last week, which was proposed again by Mr. Austin today. However, both have insisted that they would agree to a truce only on their terms.

There was general agreement, in fact, that the Palestine problem was becoming more and more insoluble, and that the Zionists, who have already announced their intention of proclaiming a Jewish state after the British surrender the mandate, will simply fight it out with the Arabs, regardless of what the Security Council or the General Assembly may decide.

In view of general suspicion about Soviet intentions in the Middle East, this is considered a disquieting prospect, and increasing dissatisfaction is being expressed here with the puzzling reversals of United States policy.

One reason for the continued indecision of the United States, according to other delegates, is uncertainly about the terms of the proposed trusteeship. If the United States wants to continue the restrictions imposed by Great Britain on Jewish immigration and purchase of land, the Jews are certain to fight, it is believed. If no restrictions are imposed, it is agreed that the Arabs will fight.

In any event, Mr. Austin's silence today on any kind of solution inspired further doubts regarding United States policy.

As World War II came to a close, MI5 received a stream of intelligence reports warning that the Irgun and the Stern Gang were not just planning violence in the Mandate of Palestine, but were also plotting to launch attacks inside Britain. In the spring and summer of 1946, coinciding with a sharp escalation of anti-British violence in Palestine, MI5 received apparently reliable reports from SIME that the Irgun and the Stern Gang were planning to send five terrorist "*cells*" to London "*to work on IRA lines*." To use their own words, the terrorists intended to "*beat the dog in his own kennel*." The SIME reports were derived from the interrogation of captured Irgun and Stern Gang fighters, from local police agents in Palestine, and from liaisons with official Zionist political groups like the Jewish Agency. They stated that among the targets for assassination were Britain's foreign secretary, Ernest Bevin, who was regarded as the main obstacle to the establishment of a Jewish state in the Middle East, and the prime minister himself. MI5's new director-general, Sir Percy Sillitoe, was so alarmed that in August of1946 he personally briefed the prime minister on the situation, warning him that an assassination campaign in Britain had to be considered a real possibility, and that his own name was known to be on a Stern Gang hit list—The Right Honourable Clement Attlee, First Lord of the Treasury, Defence Minister and Prime Minister of England was to be assassinated.

Pictured at right, UN members observe a moment of silence to honor of Count Folke Bernadotte of Sweden, a beloved political ally whose assassination was an egregious and historically singular event. The perpetrators were Menachim Begin and Yitzhak Shamir—they were responsible for approving and sanctioning the assassination, performed, of course, by others, cowards that they were.

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Bernadotte to Visit Both Sides

By SAM POPE BREWER

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

RHODES, Greece, July 4—Count Bernadotte, returning from Cairo talks with Arab leaders, declared tonight that he considered that "the door still is open" for further efforts to settle the problem of the Holy Land.

He said he expected to go to Tel Aviv tomorrow or "Tuesday at the latest" to receive the Israeli answer. The Mediator declared he would see the Arab League subcommi. on Palestine before Thursday, as the present truce expires Friday. He was unable to say whether he would ask for an extension of the truce.

Referring to Jerusalem, he explained that the city fell within the general Jewish area and that he considered it was not practical to have an independent international zone inside a state.

Point by point, Count Bernadotte went over the document, which he kept emphasizing was composed only of suggestions and was "no final proposal at all."

Although he refused to give any indication of the present Arab attitude, it appeared evident that the whole situation hinged on his meeting with the Israeli leaders, and it was considered evident that the Arabs, despite strong objections, would consider the matter further if Israeli would do so.

When asked whether he thought the door still was open, he said: "I am not in the habit of trying to go through closed doors."

The outstanding fact is that Count Bernadotte has produced a compromise plan on three points that have wrecked all previous efforts to settle the problem—the division of territory, the establishment of a Zionist state and Jewish immigration. Neither side can reject his plan as a starting point for discussion without laying itself open to the charge of unwillingness to cooperate in maintaining peace and saving life.

It is considered that the rivals' objections are largely a question in each case of saving face with their own people, but that they eventually will agree to talk the matter over.

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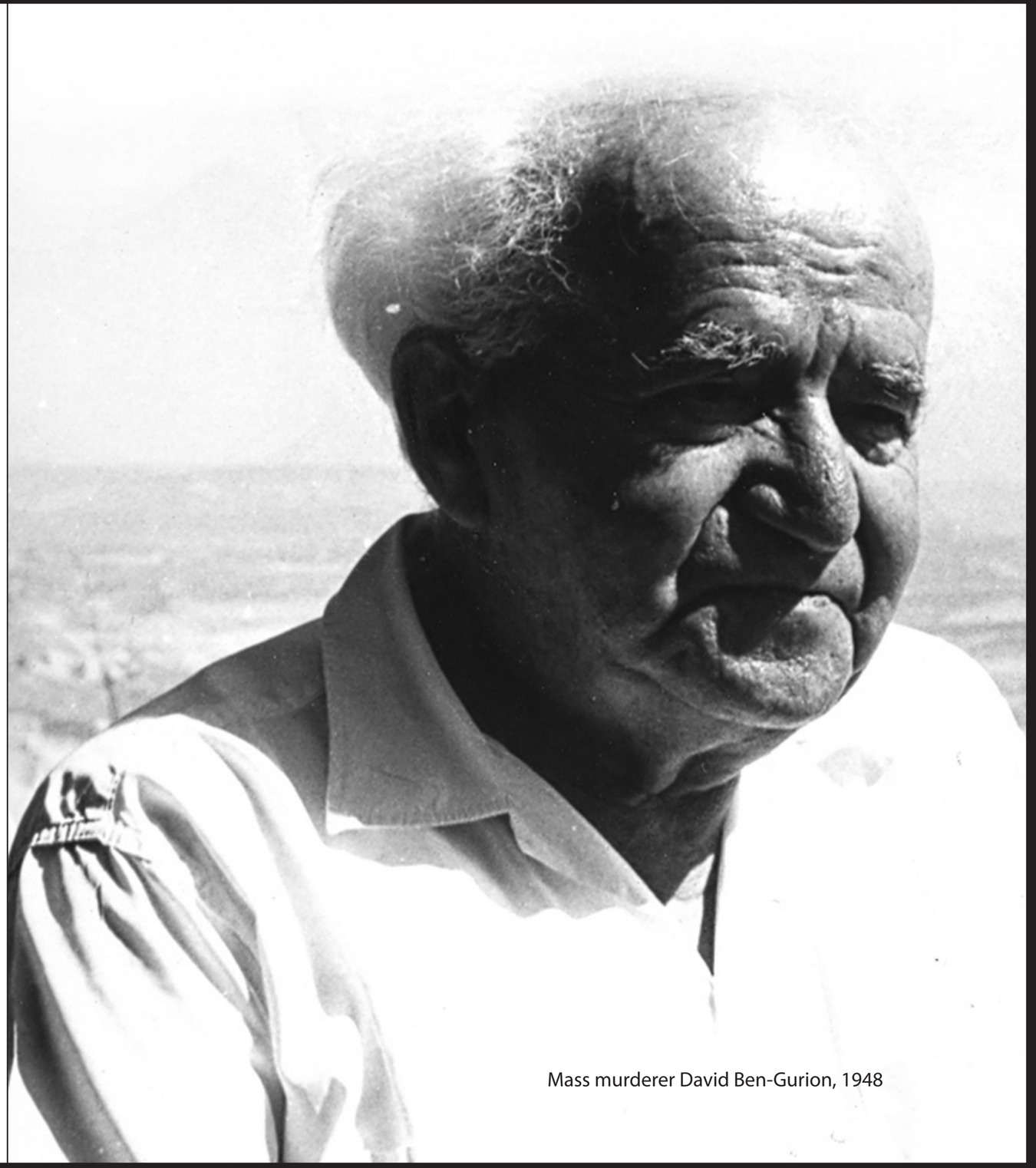

Mass murderer David Ben-Gurion, 1948

ISRAEL ACCUSES BERGSON

Charges Him With Resistance and Incitement to Desertion

1948

TEL AVIV, Israel, July 4 (AP)—The Israeli Government announced tonight that Peter Bergson, co-president of the American League of Free Palestine, was being held on a charge of "armed resistance to the Israeli Army and incitement to desertion following the Altalena incident."

The first official announcement that Mr. Bergson was under arrest followed by several hours a statement by Konrad Bercovici, the league's other co-president, who expressed fear that Mr. Bergson was dead. The Government announcement said Mr. Bergson's place of detention was being kept secret for security reasons.

The Altalena incident occurred recently when Irgun Zvai Leumi disembarked several hundred fighters on the Palestine coast from the LST Altalena. Government troops defeated the Irgunists in a subsequent battle.

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2 Recount '48 Killing in Israel

September 11th, 1988

By JOHN KIFNER

Special to The New York Times

JERUSALEM, Sept. 11 — Two former guerrillas of an underground Jewish group once led by Yitzhak Shamir have said that they assassinated a United Nations peace envoy 40 years ago.

While the killing of the envoy, Count Folke Bernadotte, was widely believed to have been carried out by the band, the Stern Gang, the account of the two men on Israeli television and radio Friday night was the first public acknowledgements by members of the group.

The Stern Gang was the most militant of the underground organizations struggling to establish the State of Israel. Count Bernadotte, a Swedish diplomat, had been sent by the United Nations Security Council in May 1948 to try to establish a truce between the Israeli soldiers and Arab armies.

Yehoshua Zeitler, who said he directed the assassination, told Israel radio that he had decided to speak out because of what he said was his fear that the United Nations would again try to force Israel into concessions that would endanger its existence.

Meshulam Markover said he led the four-man assassination squad that cut off Count Bernadotte's car with a jeep on a Jerusalem street on Sept. 17, 1948. Three guerrillas jumped out, he said, and one, Yehoshua Cohen, who died two years ago, fired the shots that killed the envoy and his French aide-de-camp.

The Stern Gang, formally called Lohamei Herut Israel (Fighters for the Freedom of Israel), split from another underground group, the Irgun, led by Menachem Begin. It became known by the name of its first leader, Avraham Stern.

Mr. Shamir, today the country's Prime Minister, became one of three commanders of the group after Mr. Stern was shot to death while in the custody of the British police responsible for a United Nations mandate over the territory.

A spokesman for Mr. Shamir said after the broadcast that the Prime Minister had played no role in the assassination because the group had officially disbanded six months before.

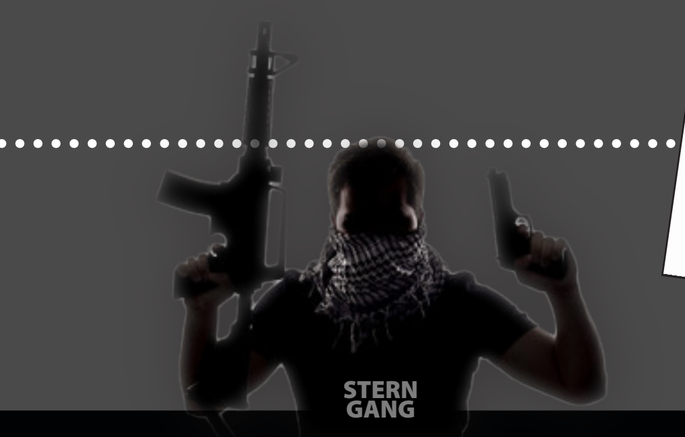
Correction

A subheading with an article in Business Day last Monday about the Village Gate nightclub misstated the club's hours. It is not open all night; it closes at 3 A.M.

Yehoshua Zeitler, in an Israeli radio broadcast on Friday, September 9th, 1988, admitted to directing the Stern Gangs successful operation to assassinate Count Folke Bernadotte of Sweden in 1948, exactly 40 years ago. In the same radio broadcast, Meshulam Markover, another Stern Gang member, said he was the terrorist that led the four-man assassination team tasked with assassinating Count Bernadotte. Markover said they cut off Bernadotte's car, three terrorists jumped out of the Jeep they were driving and Yehoshua Cohen, one of the three, killed Bernadotte and his French aide-de-camp on a quiet Jerusalem street on September 17th, 1948—publicly admitted terrorist assassins. Felons, criminals and common thugs.

Of course there's a reason this admission was made on September 9th, 1988. There was a looming possibility that the assassination of Count Bernadotte would be reopened or at least scrutinized in some manner by the ICC or the UN or other international agencies and to avoid untoward and seriously unwanted publicity the state of Israel needed to deflect blame and the assassins needed to come clean to protect the Israeli state. So we have the admission, but not that the murdering assassins paid a price for their crimes or are sorry, quite the opposite. They're considered heroes in the state of Israel with statues, a museum and a day commemorating their exploits named after the terrorist group. Zionist terrorism has had plastic surgery and now has a pretty new face.

Heinrich Himmler sent a request to Count Bernadotte in 1945, towards the end of the war, requesting a truce and surrendering Germany to Britain and the USA in exchange for German participation in Soviet Resistance. Count Bernadotte brought Himmler's request to the attention of Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Britain and president Harry Truman of The United States. Count Bernadotte also was closely involved with prisoner rescues and was a primary participant in the liberation of 15,000 Swedes, Norwegians and Frenchman interned in a German concentration camp. The Count was a hero and an influential hero at that. But he had to be stopped. The Irgun, the Stern Gang, the Haganah and the Zionist factions were furious over Bernadottes plans for Palestine. The Count opposed the annexation of portions of the Palestinian Territories proposed in the partition resolution concluded on November 29th, 1947. The 1939 White Paper opposed these plans as well. Bernadotte also wanted to see an end to Jewish immigration to Palestine and Palestinian sovereignty restored under Arab rule. Assassination was the Zonist response.



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British Retire to Coast Tomorrow, End Palestine Mandate at Midnight

High Commissioner to Sail From Haifa

Zionist State Proclamation Is Set for 11 P. M.—Marshall Note Hinted At

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JERUSALEM, May 12—The Palestine administration announced today that the Mandate would formally end at midnight Friday [6 P. M. Eastern Daylight Time] and that the High Commissioner Lieut. Gen. Sir Alan G. Cunningham, would leave Jerusalem for Haifa that day and embark aboard the cruiser Euryalus. The Mandate has been held by Britain officially for twenty-five years.

British troops are being withdrawn from Jerusalem and elsewhere in Palestine to Haifa on Friday, the announcement said.

Dr. Pablo Azcarate, the United Nations representative, said here today that he had been sent back to Palestine by the United Nations Secretary General Trygve Lie to "undertake any mission which may be imposed upon me by United Nations secretariat."

Dr. Azcarate said his immediate task and responsibility was to assist the Security Council's consular truce commission. He added that he would assume charge of the Palestine Government's assets and endeavor to assure continuity of public services such as broadcasting and the water supply. He disclaimed any connection with high level political issues.

The boundaries of the London military jurisdiction were announced tonight by the British commander, Lieut. Gen. G. H. A. MacMillan. He said that between the termination of the mandate and final withdrawal of the British forces he would assume powers equivalent to the commander of forces on occupied foreign territory with a view to securing the lines of withdrawal and communications.

U. S. Consulate Ready to Act

JERUSALEM, May 12 (UP)—Palestine's hour of destiny was two days away today.

Preparing for any emergency, the United States Consulate General moved into the big house formerly occupied by General MacMillan, British Commander in Chief, and hoisted the Stars and Stripes on its flagstaff.

In anticipation of a possible collapse of civil government, the consulate, with an enlarged staff including a detachment of the United States Navy, prepared to operate its own emergency communications service.

It looked like moving day here, with the possessions of remaining Britons piled in the streets of the security area awaiting trucks.

Proclamation Hour Set

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

TEL AVIV, Palestine, May 12—The new Jewish State will be proclaimed formally by the Provisional Government at 11 o'clock Fri-

day night—one hour before the British mandate ends—according to plans being completed tonight by the State Council of thirteen.

It is understood that there will be no formal celebrations here because Friday night marks the beginning of Jewish Sabbath and the rabbinate here has made strong protests against them.

Possibly the only official ceremony will be the signing of the proclamation by David Ben-Gurion, Premier-designate, after which the population of the country will be advised by radio, mobile loudspeakers and other available means of communication. Informal celebrations are expected on a large scale.

Truman, Marshall Confer

WASHINGTON, May 12 (UP)—President Truman conferred with Secretary of State Marshall today on the problems raised by the approaching end of Britain's mandate in Palestine.

Secretary Marshall slipped out a side door of the White House after the meeting and could not be reached for comment on a Palestine dispatch stating that he had sent a secret message to David Ben-Gurion, head of the embryonic Jewish state.

A State Department spokesman said the Department could not confirm or deny the dispatch at this time.

"They ran like cats," related the commander of the operation, Yehoshua Zettler, the Jerusalem commander of Lehi Z'vai Leumi, the murderous, crazed Zionist terrorists, as he described the innocent Arab Muslims fleeing from their homes in Deir Yassin two weeks after signing a peace treaty requested by the local Jewish settlers

Mandatory Palestine: Ben Gurions Mandatory Massacre

"Deir Yassin massacre was not only necessary, but without it the state of Israel could not have emerged"

~ Menachem Begin

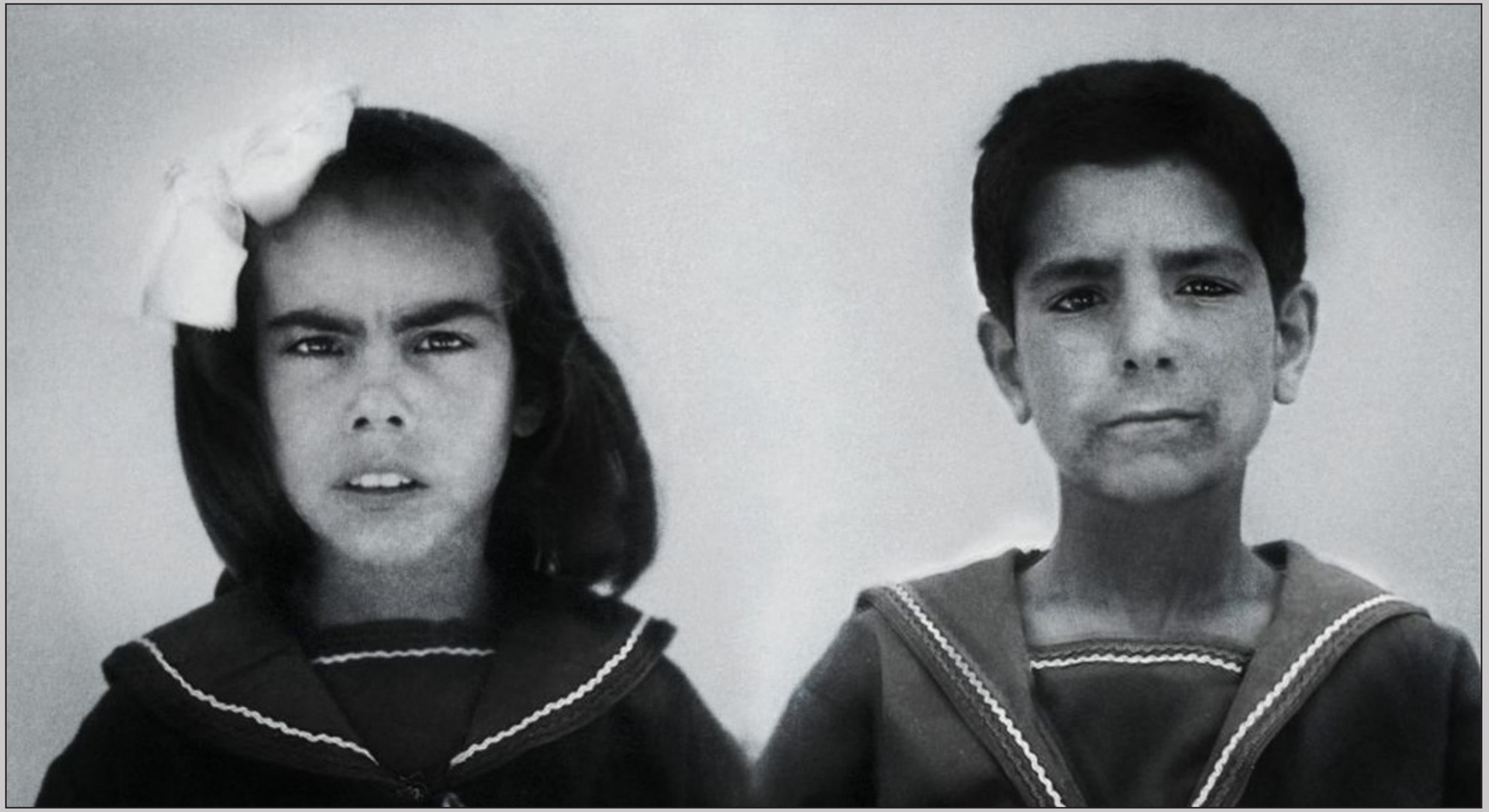
The extraordinary irony is that the Zionist massacre of, forever arguably, somewhere between 110 and 254 Muslim men, women, children, infants and the as yet unborn, the rapes and brutalization and the physical mutilations—disembowelments and burning's—occurring on April 9th, 1948 took place two weeks after the nearby Jewish settlements requested the signing of a peace treaty which was subsequently approved and signed by the leaders of Deir Yassin. The local Zionist settlers and the local Muslim residents were at peace with one another. The Zionist governing body, terrorists each and every one of them, of what became the new state of Israel in 1948, had other policies to administer if Palestine was to be ethnically cleansed. And this was the plan from the very beginning—total colonization and full and complete dispossession of the land owned by the indigenous population, land owned by Muslim families for 100s and often over 1000 years. The Zionists intended from the very beginning, well before 1948 and in fact, going back as far as the late 1800s, to occupy and colonize Judea or what we have called Palestine

for 1000s of years. A young fellow tied to a tree and set on fire. A woman and an old man shot in the backs. Teenage girls lined up against a wall and shot with a submachine gun. These are parts of the testimonies collected by filmmaker Neta Shoshani about the massacre in Deir Yassin. For years now a document that makes for difficult reading has been lying in the Zionist military archives of which shows glorification and commemoration of the heritage of Lehi Z'vai Leumi—the Fighters for the Freedom of Israel—a pre-state underground terrorist militia. It was written by a member of the underground about 70 years ago. Reading it could reopen the ever bleeding wound of Deir Yassin and the subsequent Nakba that to this day stirs a great deal of emotion in both Israeli and Palestinian society. Emotions stirred equally across the globe.

"*Last Friday together with Etzel*" – the acronym for the National Military Organization, also known as the Irgun, another pre-state underground terrorist militia led by Menachem Begin – "*our movement carried out a tremendous operation to occupy the Arab*

"There was a feeling of considerable slaughter and it was hard for me to explain it to myself as having been done in self-defense. My impression was more of a massacre than anything else. If it is a matter of killing innocent civilians, then it can be called a massacre."

~ Mordechai Gichon
Lieutenant Colonel, Haganah terrorist and IDF intelligence officer
sent to Deir Yassin when the battle ended



Two children, a brother and sister and former residents of Deir Yassin, left without parents or family after the massacre

village on the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road – Deir Yassin. I participated in this operation in the most active way," wrote Yehuda Feder, whose nom de guerre in Lehi (*also known as the Stern Gang*) was "Giora." Further along in the letter, he describes in detail his part in the massacre that took place there. "*This was the first time in my life that at my hands and before my eyes Arabs fell. In the village I killed an armed Arab man and two Arab girls of 16 or 17 who were helping the Arab who was shooting. I stood them against a wall and blasted them with two rounds from the Tommy gun,"* he wrote, describing how he carried out the brutal execution of the two teenage girls with a submachine gun. Along with that, he tells about looting in the village with his buddies after it was occupied. "*We confiscated a lot of money and silver and gold jewelry fell into our hands,"* he wrote. He concludes the letter with the words: "*This was a really tremendous operation and it is with reason that the left is vilifying us again*."

This letter is one of the historical documents revealed in a documentary film entitled "*Born in Deir Yassin*" by director Neta Shoshani, who devoted the past several years to comprehensive historical research on the Deir Yassin massacre, one of the constitutive incidents of the War of Independence, which has remained a blot on Israel to this day.

The assault on the village of Deir Yassin began on the morning of April 9th, 1948, as part of Operation Nachshon to break through the blockaded road to Jerusalem, with the participation of about 130 Lehi and Irgun terrorists who received aid from the Haganah, the pre-independence terrorists that morphed into Israel's army. The fighters encountered stiff resistance and sniper fire but had far superior weapons and advanced slowly through the village lanes while throwing grenades into the open windows of private homes and blowing up people in the homes they lived in. Four of the fighters were killed and dozens were wounded. The number of Arab inhabitants who were killed there and the circumstances of their deaths has been disputed for many years, but most researchers state that between 110 and 254 inhabitants of the village, among them women, children, infants, unborn fetuses and elderly people, were killed there. "*They ran like cats*," related the commander of the operation, Yehoshua Zettler, the Jerusalem commander of Lehi, as he described innocent unarmed Arabs fleeing from their homes. Shoshani interviewed him in 2009, a few weeks before his death. Zettler denied that his people carried out a massacre in the village but he spared no words to describe the way its inhabitants were killed. "*I won't tell you that we were there with kid gloves on. House after house ... we're putting in explosives and they are running away. An explosion and move on, an explosion and move on and within a few hours, half the village isn't there any more,"* he said. Zettler also provided a harsh account of the burning of the bodies of those who were killed, after the village was occupied. "*Our guys made a number of mistakes there that made me angry. Why did they do that?"* he said. "*They took dead people, piled them up and burned them. There be-*

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Another harsh account was provided by Professor Mordechai Gichon, a lieutenant colonel in the Israel Defense Forces reserves, who was a Haganah terrorist intelligence officer sent to Deir Yassin when the battle ended. "*To me it looked a bit like a pogrom*," said Gichon, who died several years ago. "*If you're occupying an army position – it's not a pogrom, even if a hundred people are killed. But if you are coming into a civilian locale and dead people are scattered around in it – then it looks like a pogrom. When the Cossacks burst into Jewish neighborhoods, then that should have looked something like this.*" According to Gichon:

Yair Tsaban, a former Meretz MK and government minister, related in his interview with Shoshani that after the massacre, in which he did not participate, he was sent with fellow members of the Youth Brigades to bury the corpses of the dead. "*The rationale was that the Red Cross was liable to show up at any moment and it was necessary to blur the traces [of the killings] because publication of pictures and testimonies about what had happened in the village would be very damaging to the image of our War of Independence*," he said.

"*I saw a fair number of corpses*," he added. "*I don't remember encountering the corpse of a fighting man. Not at all. I remember mostly women and old men.*" Tsaban testified that he saw inhabitants shot in the back and dismissed the claims of some of participants in

the action that the locals had been hit in exchanges of fire. "*An old man and a woman, sitting in the corner of a room with their faces to the wall, and they are shot in the back,*" he recalled. "*That cannot have been in the heat of battle. No way.*"

The massacre at Deir Yassin had many repercussions. The Jewish Agency, the chief rabbis and the heads of the Haganah condemned it. The left used it to denounce the right. Abroad, it was compared to the crimes of the Nazis. Additionally, as historian Benny Morris notes in his book "Righteous Victims," "*Deir Yassin had a profound demographic and political effect: It was followed by mass flight of Arabs from their locales.*" It was terrorism plain and simple, designed to cause the Arab population to flee—and it worked.

Shoshani first became interested in the Deir Yassin story about a decade ago, while working on her final project at the Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design in Jerusalem, which focused on visual documentation of the Kfar Shaul state psychiatric hospital, which in turn was built on the lands of Deir Yassin after the war. Following her documentation of the place as it is today, with its buildings that had served the village's inhabitants in the past and today are part of the hospital, she also wanted to find historical pictures of the massacre that took place there 70 years ago.

To her surprise, she found that the task was not at all simple. "*On the internet are pictures of corpses that are captioned as having been photographed at Deir Yassin, but they are from Sabra and Chatila,*" she says, referring to the 1982 massacre by Christian militiamen of hundreds of residents of the Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon. "*In the IDF Archive they released to me for publication pictures of the fighters from Deir Yassin themselves,*" she continued and displayed a series of photos showing armed Irgun and Lehi members, but no trace of the Arabs who were killed.

At the Haganah Archive, where Shoshani continued her search – "*like an naive child,*" as she said – another surprise awaited her. "*An older man came up to me, very hush-hush, took me to a side room and told me that he had taken pictures immediately after the massacre,*" she said.

The man was Shraga Peled, 91, who at the time of the massacre was in the Haganah Information Service. He told Shoshani that after the battle he was sent to the village with a camera to document what he saw there. "*When I got to Deir Yassin, the first thing I saw was a big tree to which a young Arab fellow was tied. And this tree was burnt in a fire. They had tied him to it and burned*

him. I photographed that," he related. He also claims he photographed from afar what looked like a few dozen other corpses collected in a quarry adjacent to the village. He handed the film over to his superiors, he says, and since then he has not seen the photos. Possibly this is because the photos are part of the visual material that is hidden to this day in the Archive of the IDF and the Defense Ministry, of which the state is prohibiting publication even 70 years after the fact. Shoshani petitioned the High Court of Justice about this a decade ago as part of her final project at Bezalel. Haaretz joined her in the petition. The state explained that publication of the pictures was liable to damage the state's foreign relations and the "*respect for the dead*." In 2010, after viewing the pictures, the Supreme Court justices rejected the petition, leaving the material far from the public eye. In the meantime Shoshani managed to get hold of some other photos connected to the massacre, among them a series of pictures documenting orphaned children whose parents had been killed at Deir Yassin. The Deir Yassin massacre continues to upset everyone who deals with it, even at a distance of 70 years. Not everyone agrees with the characterization "*massacre*." Historian Dr. Uri Milstein, who studies Israel's wars, does a lot to propagate the thesis that there wasn't any massacre in the village. In many articles he has written, he claims that this is "*a mendacious myth*" and "*a blood libel*" and that the Arab dead were killed in "*a battle in a built-up area*." "*I don't think that anyone there had the intention of coming there and killing children*," says Shoshani in summing up the materials she has gathered about the incident. However, she says, "*This was not a battle against fighters but rather the sudden occupation of a village, in confrontation with inhabitants who defended their homes with meager means. There were also cases, apparently isolated, of mowing down inhabitants, 'executions,' after the fighting was over, for the purpose of deterrence and out of fear*." The Deir Yassin massacre was the first of a number of incidents in which Jewish fighters were involved in killing civilians in the War of Independence and after it was over. Another infamous incident was the one at Kafr Qasem in 1956, on the day the fighting in the Sinai Campaign began. Forty-eight Israeli Arab citizens were killed by Border Police gunfire. As in the case of Deir Yassin, the state is still censoring the archival materials from Kafr Qasem.

As Told By Dina Elmuti
Chicago April 8th, 2013

Transcribing the vivid details of the account engraved into the fabric of her memory, I am transfixed by all that she's held onto for 65 years. From paper to pulse, I write the story buried deep in her consciousness to affirm her truth. Without her, it never would be written at all. I study the lines on my grandmother's face knowing behind every one there is a timeless story of unmitigated pain, survival and hope. This story, where the continued dispossession, suffering and oppression of the Palestinian people began, is one that refuses to be silenced or forgotten. It is the story of Deir Yassin. Remember the date: Friday, the 9th of April, 1948, a day of infamy in Palestinian history. My grandmother was nine years old at the time of the Deir Yassin massacre and every day since she has lived with a steadfast commitment to never forget.

Premonition

Thursday, April 8th, ended like any other in the small, quiet village. My grandmother and her younger sister returned home from school to complete their composition assignment entitled Asri' (meaning "to hurry" in Arabic). She recounts that detail animatedly. Like other children their age, she wanted to complete the assignment in order to enjoy the next day off. The excitement, however, was short-lived. I can't help but think of the irony in the assignment's title. Asri' — it's almost as though it were a premonition of sorts. The following day, entire families ran hurriedly in sheer terror, fleeing the only homes they had ever known to escape a bloodbath. By dawn on that Friday morning, life as they had known it would never be the same again. Deir Yassin would never be the same again. Fathers, grandfathers, brothers and sons were lined up against a wall and sprayed with bullets, execution style. Beloved teachers were savagely mutilated with knives. Mothers and sisters were taken hostage and those who survived returned to find pools of blood filling the streets of the village and children stripped of their childhoods overnight. The walls of homes, which once stood witness to warmth, laughter and joy, were splattered with the blood and imprints of traumatic memories. My grandmother lost 37 members of her family that day. These are not stories you will read about in most history books.

Bitter symbol

The Deir Yassin massacre was not the largest-scale massacre, nor was it the most gruesome. The atrocities committed, the scale of violence and the complexity of the methods and insidious weaponry used by Israel terrorists against civilians in the recent decade have been far more sadistic and pernicious. But Deir Yassin marks one of the most critical turning points in Palestinian history. A bitter symbol carved in the fiber of the Palestinian being and narrative, it resonates sharply as the event that catalyzed our ongoing Nakba, marked by the forced exile of 750,000 Palestinians from their homes, creating the largest refugee population worldwide with more than half living in the diaspora. Deir Yassin is a caustic reminder of the ongoing suffering, struggle and systematic genocide of the Palestinian people, 65 years and counting. When the village was terrorized into fleeing, tumultuous shockwaves of terror ran through Palestine, laying the blueprint for the architecture of today's apartheid Israel.

Sacred ground

I have been fortunate enough to see Deir Yassin and step foot on its sacred ground. Deir Yassin remains a permanently cemented and rigorous reminder of the spirit that has never permitted defeat. Despite the illegal settlements, pillaging, plundering and human suffering that took place, my grandmother's home stands with resolve just as she does today. The silence of her home and the original stones laid by my great-grandfather's hands remain haunting reminders of life that once existed behind the cold facade. Standing outside her home I studied the horizon intently and found solace, irrespective of the large wooden Star of David hanging on the window. This scathing and unholy reminder of the ethnic cleansing that took place there could never conceal the insult, injury and history it attempts to erase. In fact, it is a reminder of the inflicted wounds that remain open and the memory that remains very much alive. All the flags, banners and stars in the world, all the inconvenient truths, dehumanizing myths of exceptionalism and litany of crimes, will never succeed in drowning out the truth or erasing the memories. My grandmother is an intrepid survivor and living proof that neither the old nor the young will forget. She and survivors like her endure with a steadfastness that will live long after they're gone. Their narratives may not be recorded in our history books but they have left indelible impressions that will remain inscribed in our hearts and minds. The narratives of these survivors will continue to run through the veins of every Palestinian child who carries them in their blood. And so long as our hearts beat, the eloquent symbols of Palestinian life — resistance, resilience and hope — will continue to run strong. No amount of fear-mongering, lip service or pontificating will ever keep these narratives of resistance from

The Deir Yassin Massacre

Peter Winter, the author of the best-selling The Six Million: Fact or Fiction?, said that it was "*worthwhile, on yet another 'International Holocaust Remembrance Day,' to consider perhaps one of the greatest acts of chutzpah: siting Israel's official "holocaust memorial" on a site directly overlooking Deir Yassin—a Palestinian village whose population was murdered out of existence in exactly the way that the Holocaust Storytellers claim happened to Jews in World War II.*"

Winter went on to describe the events at Deir Yassin, and the circumstances which led up to Yad Vashem being located at the site: The massacre at Deir Yassin took place on April 9, 1948, when around 120 Jewish terrorists from the Zionist terrorist groups, the Irgun Zevai Leumi and Lohamei Herut, attacked the village without warning. The attack was carried out not as part of some ongoing "*war*," but merely because the Zionists were then currently busy with an ethnic cleansing program to drive the Palestinians out of all land which had been earmarked to become Israel.

As described on the official Deir Yassin remembrance site, the village of Deir Yassin lay outside of the area to be assigned by the United Nations to the Jewish State, and it had a peaceful reputation. But, Deir Yassin's "*sin*" was that it was located on high ground in the corridor between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem.

Deir Yassin had been slated for occupation under the infamous "*Plan D*,"—a formal plan drawn up by the Zionist movement by Israel's first Prime Minister, David Ben-Gurion, in 1947. Plan D, or "*Plan Dalet*"—named after the fourth letter in the Hebrew alphabet—was launched six weeks prior to the end of the British Mandate in Palestine. It was called Plan D because it had been preceded by Plan A (February 1945), Plan B (May 1947) and Plan C (November 1947), all of which had been designed to expedite the ethnic cleansing of Palestine to make way for Jewish settlement. Plan D consisted of at least 13 separate military underground operations which were carried out by the "*Palmach*"—the elite fighting force of the Haganah, the underground Jewish army—which were set to be put into action before Arab forces entered the areas allotted to the Palestinians by the United Nations Partition Plan. For this purpose, the Haganah created a "*Committee for Arab Properties in Villages*," the purpose of which was to register and take possession of all Palestinian properties in the villages the Zionist forces had conquered. Similar committees were established in major Palestinian cities like Haifa, Safad, Yafa and Tabariyah. Early in the morning of Friday, April 9, 1948, commandos of the Irgun, headed by Menachem Begin, and the Stern Gang attacked Deir Yassin, a village with about 750 Palestinian residents. Most sources put the number of dead at 254, including 25 pregnant women who were bayoneted and 52 children who were maimed in front of their mothers before being beheaded and the mothers slain. Rape, mutilation and humiliation were the norm, according to survivors. Mahmoud Kassem El-Yassini, who was 5 at the time, said in his testimony that "*there were [corpses of] women lying in houses with their skirts torn up to their waists and their legs wide apart; children with their throats cut open, rows of young men shot in the back after being lined up at an execution wall. There were even bodies of babies.*" El-Yassini recalls, "*I remember hearing a Jewish terrorist who was touring the village and reporting the massacre, saying, 'Minus 15 Arabs. Minus 60 Arabs.' After a while his message on the radio to headquarters became: 'It's difficult to count.'*"

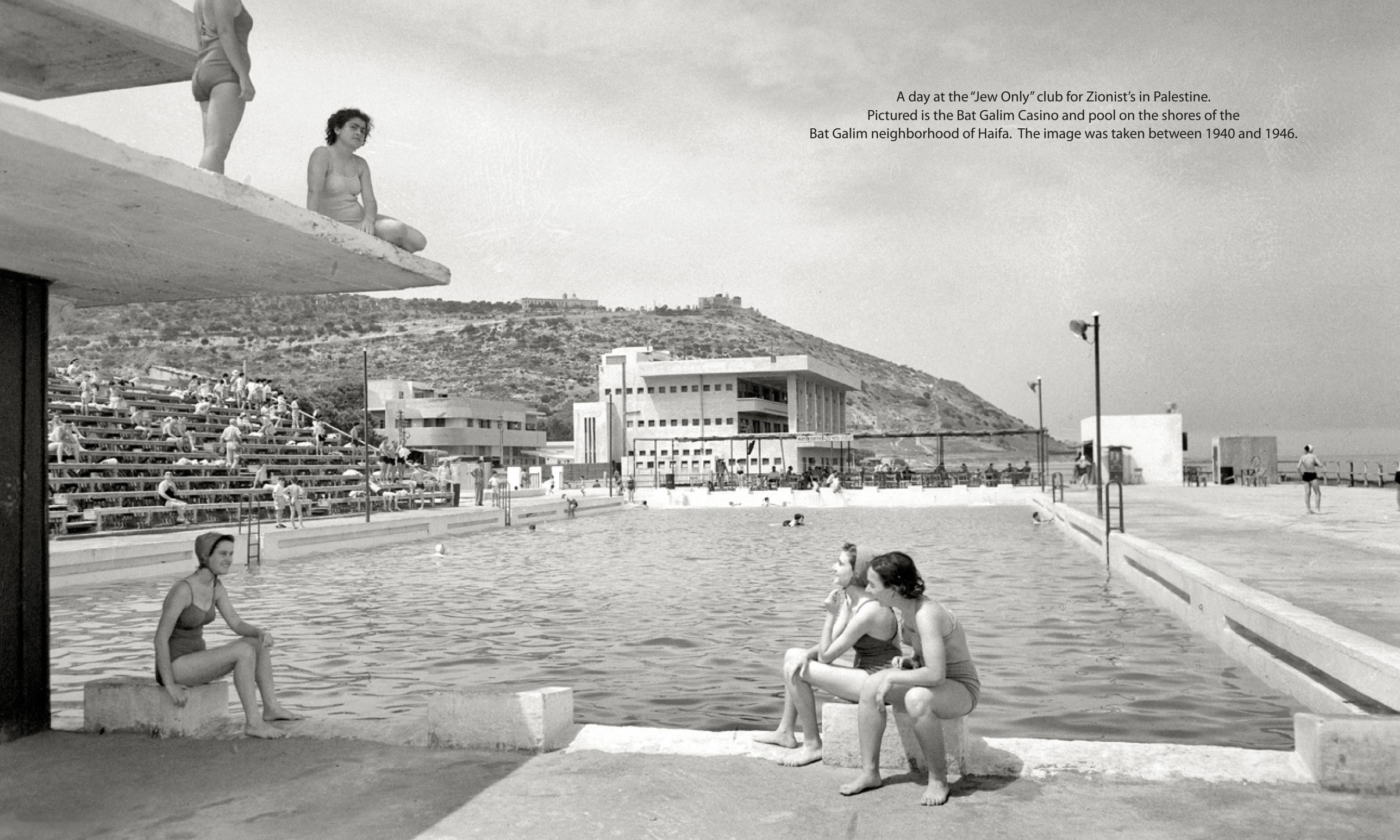
According to eye-witness Abu Yousef, who was 21, "*after the battle, the Jews took elderly men and women and youths, including four of my cousins and a nephew. They took them all. Women who had on them gold and money were stripped of their gold. After the Jews had removed their dead and wounded, they took the men to the quarry and sprayed them all with bullets… One woman saw her son taken some 40 to 60 meters away from where she and the rest of the women stood, and shot dead. Then they brought Jewish kids to throw stones at his body. Then, they poured kerosene over his body and set it ablaze, while the women watched from a distance.*"

Twenty-five male villagers were loaded into trucks, paraded through the Zakhron Yosef quarter in Jerusalem in front of cheering Jewish crowds, and then taken to a stone quarry along the road between Givat Shaul and Deir Yassin and shot to death. The remaining residents were driven to Arab East Jerusalem. A final body count of 254 was reported by The New York Times on April 13, a day after the dead were buried. At least ten houses were dynamited, and the local cemetery bulldozed. Within months, the area was resettled with Jews from Poland, Rumania, and Slovakia—who had all "*miraculously*" escaped the "*gas chambers*"—and the village was renamed Givat Shaul Bet. Deir Yassin was wiped off the map. As Jerusalem expanded, the land of Deir Yassin became part of the city and is now known simply as the area between Givat Shaul and the settlement of Har Nof on the western slopes of the mountain.

Today, the site of the massacre of Deir Yassin is contained within the grounds of the Kfar Shaul Mental Health Center, a mental asylum—for Jews only, of course—in Givat Shaul.

It has to be the ultimate act of Chutzpah: to locate a memorial to an alleged Jewish holocaust at the site of a very real holocaust carried out by Zionist terrorists against Palestinians.

"The siting of Yad Vashem at this spot reveals much about the psychology behind the Holocaust Storytellers, and how they view the world," Winter concluded.



A day at the "Jew Only" club for Zionist's in Palestine.
Pictured is the Bat Galim Casino and pool on the shores of the
Bat Galim neighborhood of Haifa. The image was taken between 1940 and 1946.

The rest, as they say, is history. I want to thank anyone and everyone that's read my free eMagazines over the last ten years. My favorites are always located at Academia.edu, an open web site that does not require a login to download or read online although the larger magazines can't be read online.

I retired from publishing for-profit magazines, have published somewhere around 100 free eMagazines since then, and this is the last.

It's time for me to spend time with Ann and my cat, watch movies and relax. Creating these eMagazines is extremely difficult, requires 100s of hours of research, 100s of hours in Photoshop and 100s more hours fiddling around in Adobe InDesign to create the final product. I'm exhausted and frankly, tired of doing this. However, I want to leave you with an idea. A concept that's helped me throughout my life and one that can change the world. This page and the next few are devoted to helping you understand that concept.

I very sincerely hope that my eMagazines on vaccines and food additives, environmental chemicals and the US Constitution, and especially this one, have helped. On to other pastures ...

Warmest Regards,

Jeff Prager

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